

# RED TALES

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(612-726-2230) Newsletter of the MSP ESSC Shop Committee (612-201-0383)

**Management Pay Cuts** – We have confirmed through a large number of sources throughout the system that many operations managers below the level of Director will be receiving pay cuts of 10 to 13% as of July 1.

We find it interesting that this occurs at the same time as Delta is promising pay increases to front line, topped out PMDL employees. With the threat of unionization, Delta is more than happy, as a temporary measure, to shower some employees with gifts and promises. For those employees who are not attempting to unionize and have no recourse but to accept cuts or quit, a large reduction in income is being imposed. It is not too hard to guess what will happen to frontline employees if the union fails.

**Delta's Next Move** – It is clear that Delta's next move against the rule change will be in the halls of Congress. Delta's close friend, Senator Isakson (R-Georgia) will be introducing a "resolution of disapproval" against the rule change in the Senate in June.

This is one instance when we can have a great impact on our future. It is absolutely essential that all airline workers who wish the rule change to stay in place call their senators. Tell them to support the NMB decision. Tell them our election rules should be the same as every other election in the

United States. Tell them to oppose the resolution of disapproval.

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**Picnic** – Saturday, June 19 from 10AM to 9PM at Johnny Cake Ridge Park East. Free food, drinks, games, water park admission for Local 1833 members and families, IAM PMNW employees from throughout the system and frontline PMDL employees from throughout the system. We still need volunteers. Call Brian Smith at 612-670-4023 or Pat Sullivan at 612-250-9005.

**District 143 Elections** – On Thursday, June 10 members of our Local will vote for President of District 143 as well as Secretary Treasurer, Trustee, 5 General Chairs, Vice President of Upper Midwest and Negotiator. Polls will be open from 7AM to 11:59PM at the Bloomington Eagles Club. This election will be a dress rehearsal for our representation election. Every member needs to participate.

**Severance Packages** – If our contract is still in force as of January 1, 2011, Delta is obligated to offer at least 100 severance packages per A.38 of our contract.