

RED TALES

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Executives Cash In – Only a week before JAL jilted Delta as a partner, quite by coincidence, Corporate Leadership Team (CLT) members cashed a large number of shares of Delta stock when it still held peak value.

Richard Anderson – 84,595 shares worth \$1,068,434.

Edward Bastian – 38,875 shares worth \$490,991.

All told, CLT members sold over \$2.5 million worth of stock on 2-2-10. The JAL announcement was on 2-9-10. Draw your own conclusions.

Victory – The Teamsters Union announced February 12 that they had won the representation election at Continental Airlines for Fleet Service. This includes baggage handlers and cargo workers. Some 7,000 workers now join the union movement.

Theft – If you are running late, you must still punch in. Do not fill out a PACE slip saying you were at work on time. Delta considers this time card theft. You can be terminated for this.

Wisconsin Residents – Because Wisconsin and Minnesota no longer have a reciprocity agreement for income taxes, Wisconsin residents who work for Delta at MSP have had taxes for both states taken out of their checks. If you would like to pay only Minnesota taxes, you can apply for a hardship. You can

go online to revenue.wi.gov. Go to News-January 22. You can also call 1-608-266-2776 to get information on how to apply.

Payroll – With the outsourcing of payroll to Jamaica, payroll problems for pre-merger Northwest employees have exploded. Many IAM members did not have February union dues deducted from their checks. These dues will be deducted from the next check. Others did not have 401k deductions made. Some employees who ordered safety shoes had \$90 incorrectly deducted from their checks. If this happened to you, you will be reimbursed in your next check.

Carrier Interference – MSP Ramp Manager Adam Sorensen has recently been telling IAM members if they vote against the IAM they will get a large pay increase in October. He has also said that if we approve the IAM, raises could be up to 3 years away.

This is carrier interference and is simply not true. What is true is that without the union we immediately lose our pensions, OJI pay, superior LTD, superior health benefits, etc. Delta is not legally bound to give anyone a raise in October. We want a contract, not empty promises. If you have similar encounters, please fill out a carrier interference form.