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Via email: <u>Bpeckenpaugh@edgewaterhotel.com</u>

Bob Peckenpaugh

General Manager, Edgewater Hotel

2411 Alaskan Way Seattle, WA 98121

Dear Mr. Peckenpaugh:

It has come to our attention that the Hotel Employees and Restaurant Employees (UNITE HERE) Local 8 employed by the Edgewater Hotel are still struggling for a just and fair contract.

Over the years, the ILWU International and other affiliates have hosted events at the Edgewater and have received excellent service from its union staff. Most recently, we hosted a Secretary-Treasurer's Conference in May of this year. The attendees at that conference joined UNITE HERE Local 8 members on an informational picket line to support the Edgewater workers who worked so hard to make our event a success.

I am distressed to learn that, after many months of negotiations and no substantial movement from management, the workers at the Edgewater have authorized a strike. The ILWU wants to assure these workers that, consistent with our past policies and practices, we will honor any picket line at the Edgewater, will refrain from booking events at the Edgewater until a just contract is achieved, and will encourage our family and friends to do the same. We have also urged our rank and file members and their families and friends to sign a pledge of support.

I urge the management at the Edgewater to work towards an agreement that provides dignity and fair wages and conditions to the hotel workers.

Sincerely,

William Adams

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