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UFCW Local 1776 Acme Members Ratify Six-Year Agreement

Young, Local 1776 President, says contract includes wage increases, benefit security and improved job security

(Plymouth Meeting, PA, August 12) – Members of the United Food and Commercial Workers Local 1776 ratified a six-year agreement with Acme Markets this evening. The contract covers 3,000 Acme Markets employees in 36 stores in Philadelphia, Montgomery, Delaware, Chester and Bucks Counties.

Wendell W. Young, IV, President of UFCW Local 1776, said the contract provides three hard wage increases of 30 cents and one lump sum bonus over its term.

“In addition to wage increases,” Young said, “this contract provides benefit security and improved job security.”

Young thanked Acme members for their patience and solidarity throughout the long process of negotiations, saying, “Local 1776 Acme members deserve the credit for reaching this agreement with Acme Markets. I applaud their courage and willingness to not settle until a fair contract agreement was reached.”

Acme members have been working under contract extension since February 2012.

“This agreement gives Acme’s loyal employees what they deserve. And by avoiding a job action, Acme members are able to service their customers and keep the company in a competitive position. The members’ decision to accept this proposal is promising for Acme’s future. We’re all pleased and ready to move forward,” Young said.

The ratified agreement is a six-year agreement that expires January 31, 2018.

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UFCW Local 1776 represents 24,000 members who work in southeast, northeast and central Pennsylvania and southern New York in supermarkets, drug stores, food processing plants, government services, manufacturing facilities, nursing homes, professional offices and Pennsylvania’s Wine and Spirits Stores.

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