



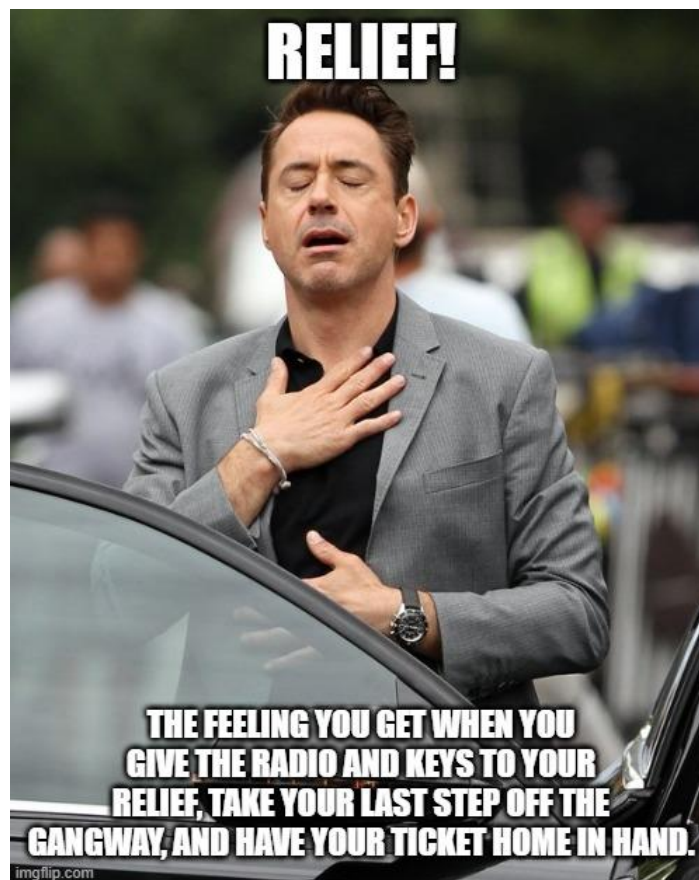
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EXPECTATIONS

ON OUR VOYAGE TO A FIRST CONTRACT, IT IS IMPERATIVE TO UNDERSCORE THE COMMITMENTS OUR UNION HAS CONSISTENTLY PLEDGED TO ALL ATC AND OSG LDOs:

1. "A" Book FOR ALL OSG LDOs OR ATC LDOs WHO ARE EMPLOYED AT THE TIME AND APPLY FOR MM&P MEMBERSHIP UPON RATIFICATION OF A FIRST CONTRACT.
2. INITIATION FEE IS WAIVED FOR ALL ATC AND OSG LDOs UPON APPLYING FOR MEMBERSHIP AND RATIFICATION OF THE CONTRACT.
3. THE ABILITY TO REMOTELY CLEAR A HALL WHEN RETURNING TO YOUR JOB ON AN OSG OR ATC VESSEL.



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ALL THREE OF THESE COMMITMENTS ARE IN WRITING IN MULTIPLE EDITIONS OF OUR NEWSLETTER. THIS IS OUR "CONTRACT" TO YOU.

THE NEGOTIATION PROCESS WITH THE COMPANY REQUIRES YOUR ACTIVE PARTICIPATION AND EXPERTISE TO ENSURE THAT OUR COLLECTIVE NEEDS ARE ACCURATELY REPRESENTED AND ADDRESSED. YOUR INPUT IS CRUCIAL IN DEFINING THE SPECIFIC TERMS AND PROVISIONS THAT WE AIM TO SECURE IN WRITING FROM THE COMPANY.

IT'S IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND THAT WHATEVER TERMS ARE AGREED UPON IN WRITING WITH THE COMPANY WILL BE THE FOUNDATION UPON WHICH THEY ARE HELD ACCOUNTABLE. AS A UNIFIED TEAM, WE WILL ENFORCE THE COMMITMENTS NEGOTIATED IN OUR CONTRACT. YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THIS PROCESS IS VITAL IN SHAPING THE OUTCOME AND ENSURING THAT OUR COLLECTIVE INTERESTS ARE SAFEGUARDED.



WE TRAINED TOGETHER

WE SAILED OR KNOW SOMEONE WHO SAILED TOGETHER

WE ARE STRONGER TOGETHER

WE WILL PREVAIL TOGETHER



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IN THE NEWS

CREW OF WASHINGTON STATE FERRY SAMISH RESCUES SIX BOATERS

THE CREW OF WSF SAMISH RESCUED SIX PEOPLE FROM A SINKING CABIN CRUISER ON MARCH 9.

MM&P MEMBERS ASSISTING IN THE RESCUE WERE CAPTAIN NOAH LANDAU, CHIEF MATE JUSTIN McCAUGHAN, MATE-IN-TRAINING MATT FARBER, AND AL BRANDT, WHO WAS ABOARD THE FERRY AND STEPPED UP WHEN THE BELLS RANG.

THE FERRY CREW BEGAN NAVIGATING TOWARDS THE POSITION GIVEN BY THOSE ABOARD THE CABIN CRUISER.

"THEY WERE ABLE TO PASS THEIR POSITION TO THE COAST GUARD," LANDAU SAID, "BUT THEN APPARENTLY THEY TOOK A WAVE THROUGH THE WINDSHIELD THAT SOAKED THEIR VHF, AND THAT WAS THE LAST ANYBODY HEARD FROM THEM ON THE RADIO."



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"JUST AS WE GOT TO THE NORTH END OF JAMES ISLAND, WE COULD SEE THERE WAS A BOAT APPROACHING US, AND THAT TURNED OUT TO BE THEM," THE CAPTAIN SAID.

LANDAU COULD SEE THE PASSENGERS FRANTICALLY SCOOPING WATER OUT OF THE BOAT USING A 5-GALLON BUCKET.

"WE DID A BIG ROUND TURN TO PUT THEM IN OUR LEE," HE SAID, "THEN WE LAUNCHED A RESCUE BOAT."

THE CREW BROUGHT FOUR OF THE SIX PASSENGERS ABOARD THE FERRY, WHERE THEY WERE GIVEN DRY CLOTHES, HOT WATER BOTTLES, AND HOT DRINKS, AND THE MATE ASSESSED THEM FOR INJURIES AND HYPOTHERMIA.

LANDAU SAID THE SUCCESS OF THE OPERATION CAME DOWN TO EXPERIENCE, PROFESSIONALISM, AND TRAINING.

THE HIGH WIND CONDITIONS HAD ADDED TO THE DIFFICULTY OF THE RESCUE, HE TOLD NATE CONNORS OF KIRO NEWS RADIO, AND HE UNDERLINED THE RISKS OF LAUNCHING A RESCUE BOAT.

"IT'S JUST ABOUT THE MOST DANGEROUS THING THAT WE DO AT FERRIES, PUTTING A BOAT OVER THE SIDE WITH PEOPLE IN IT," HE SAID.

"IT WAS SO WINDY THAT THE SAMISH WAS BEING BLOWN SIDEWAYS, BUT THE CREW IS SO EXPERIENCED THAT THEY WERE ABLE TO MANAGE IT."

"THE QUICK RESPONSE AND EXCELLENT SEAMANSHIP EXHIBITED BY WASHINGTON STATE FERRIES HIGHLIGHTS THE INCREDIBLE PARTNERSHIPS WE HAVE IN PUGET SOUND," SAID LT. RYAN SEXTON, A USCG COMMAND DUTY OFFICER.

CONNORS CALLED THE OPERATION "A REMARKABLE EXAMPLE OF THE BRAVERY AND PROFESSIONALISM THAT MARITIME WORKERS EXHIBIT IN TIMES OF CRISIS."



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MM&P members on the SLNC Star - team building during a recent Diego Garcia regatta.

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