

# **MEDIA RELEASE: for Immediate Release**

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AUGUST 23, 2010

**The Brantford and District Labour Council (BDLC) In conjunction with the Canadian Labour Congress (CLC) , Ontario Federation of Labour (OFL) and the Brantford Strike Action Coalition would like to announce two major events planned for August 23 , 2010 in support of Members of USW local 1-500 who will mark their 2<sup>nd</sup> anniversary on the picket line.**

This event was planned to expose and dissect the injustice being waged against workers at Engineered Coated Products (ECP) in Brantford Ontario . ECP is an American company with two Plants in Canada. ECP LP is located in Langley British Columbia and ECP's other facility is in Brantford Ontario. Our Summit will focus on how one company can treat each unit so differently. How a lack of legislation can lead to what amounts to "Legal Discrimination" against the Brantford workers. Respect in British Columbia and total contempt in Ontario. ECP has made USW local 1-500 the new "Poster Child "for our Campaign for Anti Scab Legislation reinstatement in this province.

**Summit Open Session ( 9:30 am – 10 :45 am)**

Brantford District Labour Centre  
1100 Clarence Street S

Join Sid Ryan - OFL President, CLC Executive Vice President Marie Clarke Walker, CUPE Ontario President Fred Hahn, Labour Critic Chris Charlton MP for Hamilton Mountain and a growing list of Provincial & Local Union Leaders and Provincial Politicians. Many Brantford City Council incumbents and candidates have also committed to attending this important Session and Panel discussion.

**Media Break (10:45 am - 11:00 am )**

**Summit Closed Session ( 11:00 am -12 pm )**

Union Leaders will caucus to review the open session and develop an action plan which will be announced and highlighted as speakers address the Rally in the afternoon.

**USW 1-500 SOLIDARITY RALLY / BBQ**

ECP Picket Line  
369 Elgin Street

The rally will open with Words Solidarity & Music of Steve Sinnicks 12 pm -1pm

Official Welcome - 1:00 pm  
Garry MacDonald - President BDLC

Introduction of Speakers and Honored Guests 1:05  
Don Guest -1st Vice President BDLC

1:10 pm  
Keynote Speakers  
Sid Ryan OFL President  
Marie Clarke Walker –CLC Vice President  
Fred Hahn – CUPE Ontario President  
Chris Charlton MP Hamilton Mountain  
Plus many more

BBQ is being sponsored by the Hamilton Steelworkers Area Council and will take place throughout the festivities.

The Brantford Labour Council encourages everyone to visit the BDLC website for more updates, boycott info and rally bussing details. Those on facebook are encouraged to join our Anti Scab Summit event that is linked on the website or below

[www.brantfordlabourcouncil.ca](http://www.brantfordlabourcouncil.ca)

<http://www.facebook.com/#!/event.php?eid=134112699958385>

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