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Local 30 Units Ratify Re-opener Agreement

Local 30 Members in our Kaiser Permanente/San Diego and California Service Center bargaining units have ratified the contract offer presented last week covering the next two years. The National Agreement between Kaiser and the Coalition of KP Unions contained a provision allowing either party to re-open the agreement in the third year, 2008. The only terms that were subjects of the re-opener language were across the board wages and retiree medical benefits. The tentative agreement reached on September 12th and endorsed by the Coalition's Delegate Conference was enthusiastically ratified with 99% of those Local 30 members voting accepting the offer. The contract covers 2008-2010 when the entire agreement will be open for bargaining.