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Mike:

I have been informed that the heat in the Seminole P&DC is unbearable as of late. I also learned that the HVAC units are not operable on the APPS side of the P&DC, and there are 4 down due to compressor problems. I have been included in an e-mail string where the Suncoast Safety Specialist has spoken to the Acting Maintenance Manager, Charles Inman, and was advised the reason for the delays in fixing this air conditioning problem is due to Maintenance employees were, "not properly trained on the Carrier A/C units so Carrier would not sell the USPS the parts to fix these units." I also read that supposedly the Maintenance Department "should be able to order the parts that are needed to fix the compressors within the next few days."

Not to be obstinate, but one would think that in a facility this large, with a multitude of equipment running virtually around the clock, approximately 400 employees in this facility, as well as the 90 degree plus heat of the Florida temperatures, that keeping the air conditioning functional at all times would be vital to the working conditions affecting, not only our bargaining unit employees under the APWU, but all bargaining unit employees in the Seminole P&DC under your employ. I have been advised that there are random temperature and humidity readings being conducted as we speak. Please classify this critical heat issue/problem as an emergency so that you are able to use every means possible to alleviate this issue immediately.

Please keep me in the loop, and I am available to discuss this with you and your staff if needed. A swift response would be appreciated.

Sincerely,

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