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Dear Brothers and Sisters of IBEW Local 1439,

As we begin 2025, I want to reflect on our achievements and share our vision for the promising year ahead. Your dedication and solidarity continue to be the backbone of our local's strength and success.

2024 was a landmark year for Local 1439. We successfully organized the electric department of the City of Fulton, expanding our IBEW family and proving that worker solidarity remains as powerful as ever. While we celebrated significant financial achievements, we've also faced challenges, particularly with Ameren's increasingly stringent disciplinary actions. Rest assured, we remain steadfast in our commitment to protect our members' rights and ensure fair treatment in the workplace.

Looking ahead, 2025 brings important opportunities and milestones. We're currently at the negotiating table with the City of Fulton, and spring will usher in negotiations with Alliant. Your unity and support during these discussions are crucial for securing favorable agreements that reflect the value of your work.

We're also focusing on strengthening our union from within. Throughout the year, we'll be welcoming newer members with comprehensive orientation sessions and detailed reviews of our bargaining agreements. This investment in education ensures that every member understands their rights and the full benefits of their union membership.

2025 marks our local's 80th anniversary – eight decades of fighting for workers' rights and better working conditions. We're planning a memorable celebration this November to honor this remarkable milestone. Additionally, our calendar is filled with opportunities for fellowship and solidarity, including a steward recognition event, Labor festival, golf tournament, and Christmas party.

As we move forward, I encourage every member to embrace our core message: Stay active, stay involved, stay informed. Our strength lies in our unity and participation. Whether it's attending union meetings, participating in our events, or simply staying current with union communications, every action strengthens our collective voice.

P.S. Keep an eye on our regular communications for specific dates and details about our upcoming events and negotiations.

In solidarity,

Jeremy Pour
Business Manager/ Financial Secretary