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Greater Sudbury Chamber of Commerce welcomes announcement of tentative contract agreement

***United Steelworkers and Vale are to be applauded for their determination to seek a
resolution to strike***

(Greater Sudbury, July 5, 2010) The Greater Sudbury Chamber of Commerce (GSCC) congratulates the negotiating teams of Vale and the United Steelworkers Local 6500 for successfully concluding the most recent round of negotiations.

"We are pleased that both sides have managed to find common ground and agree to a tentative contract," said Debbi Nicholson, President and CEO of the GSCC. "While regrettable it took this long to be able to forge a common understanding, we nonetheless remain encouraged that the vote this week will be positive."

"In due course, we expect the community and all parties make amends and work together - and specifically look forward to Vale resuming full production and USW members assuming their employee roles once again."

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