AGREEMENT

BETWEEN

BELDEN (CANADA) INC.,

AND

UNITED STEELWORKERS OF AMERICA - AFL-CIO-CLC LOCAL 7175

7TH NOVEMBER, 2003 - 6TH NOVEMBER, 2006

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THIS AGREEMENT dated 7th day of November 2003

BETWEEN:

BELDEN (CANADA) INC.
(hereinafter called the "Company")

OF THE FIRST PART;

-and-

UNITED STEELWORKERS OF AMERICA, (hereinafter called the "Union")

OF THE SECOND PART.

WHEREAS it is the desire of the parties hereto to set forth herein the agreement between them for the terms hereof in respect to rates of pay, wages, hours of employment and other conditions of employment to be observed by the parties hereto, and the employees covered hereby, and to provide procedures for the prompt and equitable adjustment of grievances arising hereunder;

NOW THEREFORE IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED between the parties as follows:

#### ARTICLE I - UNION RECOGNITION

- 1.01 The company recognizes the Union as the sole collective bargaining agent for all of its employees at Cobourg, Ontario, and within a sixty (60) kilometre radius of the present Cobourg town hall, save and except foremen, persons above the rank of foremen, technical and professional employees in the Development and Control Departments, laboratory employees, factory office staff, office staff and sales staff.
- 1.02 For all intents and purposes the masculine gender used in this Agreement shall also be construed to include the feminine gender wherever the context applies.

# ARTICLE II - RELATIONSHIP

- 2.01 The parties hereto agree that an employee of the Company covered by this Agreement may become a member of the Union if he wishes to do so, and may refrain from becoming a member of the Union if he so desires.
- **2.02** The Company agrees that no employee shall in any manner be discriminated against or coerced on account of membership or non-membership in any labour organization or by reason of any activity or lack of activity in any labour organization.
- 2.03 The Union agrees it will not discriminate against or coerce any employee because of his membership or non-membership, his activity or lack of activity in any labour organization.

- **2.04** No person will engage in Union activities on Company property except as provided for in this Agreement, or hold meetings at any time on the premises of the Company without the permission of the Company.
- 2.05 The Company and the Union agree that there will be no sexual harassment or discrimination against any employee because of race, creed, colour, age, sex, sexual orientation, disability, marital status, religion and national origin.
- 2.06 a) Non-bargaining unit employees will not be permitted to perform work usually performed by bargaining unit employees when bargaining unit employees are readily available. However, when the safety of an employee or employees could be placed in jeopardy or where a mechanical or electrical repair is necessary, only qualified mechanics or electricians will perform this work. Non-bargaining unit employees will not be utilized to deprive bargaining unit employees of reasonable earnings opportunities by performing bargaining unit work.
- b) The parties understand that contracting out is an issue of concern for both parties. In an effort to recognize each party's concerns, it is agreed:

The parties will meet at the request of either party to discuss the Company's requirements and its use of outside contractors. Further, the Company will advise the Union Executive Committee regarding the status of existing and proposed projects or production requirements to enable both parties to assess on an on-going basis the impact, if any, on the bargaining unit employees. The Company agrees to give serious consideration to the viewpoints expressed at these meetings."

2.07 The parties agree to abide by all the applicable Statutes of the Province of Ontario and Canada.

# ARTICLE III - MANAGEMENT RIGHTS

- **3.01** The Union acknowledges that, subject to the terms of this Agreement, it is the exclusive right of the Company to hire, promote, demote, transfer, classify and lay off employees and also the right of the Company to suspend, discipline or discharge any employee for just cause, provided that a claim by an employee that he has been suspended, discharged or disciplined without just cause may be the subject of a grievance and dealt with as hereinafter provided.
- 3.02 The Union further recognizes the exclusive right of the Company to operate and manage its business in all respects subject only to the provisions of this Agreement. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, it is agreed that the location of the plants, the direction of the working forces, the products to be manufactured, the schedules of production, the methods, processes and means of manufacturing used, the establishment and revision of incentive standards and rates (excluding piece work pay systems), the determination of work assignments or methods and the selection of the materials to be handled, processed or manufactured, the right to sub-contract work or services, the right to decide on the number of employees needed by the

Company at any time, the right to use improved methods, machinery and equipment, and jurisdiction over all operations, buildings, machinery and Company tools are solely and exclusively the responsibility of the Company. The Company also has the right to make, alter and enforce from time to time reasonable rules and regulations to be observed by the employees.

#### ARTICLE IV - UNION REPRESENTATION

- **4.01** The Company will recognize a Grievance Committee that shall consist of not more than five (5) employees selected by the Union one of whom shall be the Plant Chairperson. The Company shall be advised of the names of members of this Committee and shall be notified of any changes from time to time. All members of The Grievance Committee shall be regular employees of the Company who have acquired seniority.
- 4.02 The Company will recognize not more than eight (8) stewards and one (1) Chief Steward.
- **4.03** The Union will certify in writing to the Company the names of their stewards authorized to act hereunder from time to time, and the Company will not be required to recognize them until so certified.
- **4.04** The privilege of stewards to leave their work, without loss of day-rate pay, to process grievances is granted on the following conditions:
- a) Such business must be between the Union and the Management. Employees having grievances cannot discuss these with the stewards in working hours except with the permission of his foreman which shall not be unreasonably withheld or except in the case of a discharged employee.
- b) The time shall be devoted to the prompt handling of necessary grievances.
- c) The steward concerned shall obtain the permission of the foreman concerned before leaving his work. Such permission shall not be unreasonably withheld.
- d) The time away from productive work shall be reported in accordance with the timekeeping methods of the department in which the steward is employed.
- e) The Company reserves the right to limit such time if it is excessive.
- f) The steward shall be paid his appropriate rate if requested by the Company for a meeting that exceeds his scheduled hours of work.
- **4.05** The members of the Grievance Committee may leave their work without loss of day-rate pay to meet with the Union representative on Company premises for the period of one hour immediately prior to a meeting with the Company and for the period of such meeting.
- **4.06** The Company agrees to recognize and deal with a negotiation committee of not more than five (5) employees, including the Plant Chairperson, who shall

be regular employees of the Company, along with representatives of the International Union.

## ARTICLE V - GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE

- 5.01 The parties to this Agreement are agreed that it is of the utmost importance to adjust complaints and grievances as quickly as possible.
- **5.02** The Company shall not be required to consider any grievance that is not presented to the Company within ten (10) of the employee's working days after the grievant and/or Union knew or should have known of the alleged violation of the Agreement. In any case where back pay is involved, it shall be limited to a period of not more than thirty (30) working days prior to the filing of the grievance.
- 5.03 Grievances shall be adjusted and settled as follows:

#### Step No. 1

The aggrieved employee shall present his grievance orally to his foreman. He shall have the assistance of his steward if he so desires. If a settlement satisfactory to the employee concerned is not reached within one (1) working day (or any other period of time that may be mutually agreed upon), the grievance may be presented as follows at any time within two (2) working days thereafter.

# Step No. 2

The aggrieved employee may, with the steward, present his grievance (which shall be reduced to writing on a form supplied by the Union) to the foreman who shall submit it to the appropriate Manager. The Manager and the Human Resources Manager shall meet with the aggrieved employee and his steward and shall within two (2) working days render a decision in writing, which decision shall be rejected or accepted in writing on request, by the President, if available, otherwise an officer of the Local working in the plant where the grievance arose. If that decision is not accepted within two (2) working days thereafter the grievance shall proceed to Step No. 3.

#### Step No. 3

Failing resolution through Step No. 1 and Step No. 2, the rejected grievance from Step No. 2 shall be submitted to the Plant Manager for review at the next regular monthly grievance committee meeting.

Alternatively, within five (5) working days of the request of either party, a special meeting shall be convened to review a grievance at Step No. 3.

This meeting shall include the Plant Manager and other representatives of management as he shall determine, the Union President and such members of the Union Grievance Committee as he shall determine. Either party may also request the presence of the aggrieved employee and/or the International Union Representative at these meetings if desired.

The time limits set out in 5.03 may be extended by mutual consent or by an Arbitrator with good and sufficient reason.

**5.04** If final settlement of the grievance is not completed within seven (7) working days after deliberations have commenced at Step No. 3, and if the grievance is one which concerns the interpretation or alleged violation of the Agreement, the grievance may be referred by either party to arbitration as provided in Article IX, at any time within thirty (30) days thereafter but not later.

The time limits set out in 5.04~may be extended by mutual consent or by an Arbitrator with good and sufficient reason.

**5.05** Warnings shall be given in writing or verbally. In the case of written warnings, one (1) copy each will be provided for the employee, Union Steward and Company. An authorized union representative shall acknowledge receipt of the written warning by signing the Company's copy. Any disciplinary warnings will be issued in the presence of an authorized Union Representative if the employee so requests.

Any disciplinary action shall not be held against any employee's personnel record if no further action is taken within a twelve (12) month period. Employees may request the removal of warnings from their files that were issued more than twelve (12) months prior.

 $5.06\,$  By mutual agreement, the parties may agree to use the service of an independent Mediator.

# ARTICLE VI - MANAGEMENT GRIEVANCES

**6.01** It is understood that the Management may at any time submit a grievance to the Union Grievance Committee with respect to the conduct of the Union, its officers or stewards, in its relationships with the Company or other employees, or any complaint that a contractual obligation undertaken by the Union in this Agreement has been violated and such grievance shall be dealt with in the same manner as a grievance at Step No. 3 of Section 5.03 above and Section 5.04 above shall apply to any grievance.

# ARTICLE VII - UNION GRIEVANCES

7.01 Should any difference arise between the Company and the Union as to the interpretation or alleged violation of the provisions of this Agreement affecting the Union as such, or the employees as a whole, the Union shall have the right to file a grievance beginning in Step No. 3 of the grievance procedure as outlined in Section 5.03. Such grievance shall conform to the provisions of Section 5.02 of this Agreement. No such grievance shall be filed with respect to the same subject matter that is already the subject of a grievance filed by an employee under Section 5.03, nor shall any grievance be filed by an employee with respect to the same subject matter that is already the subject of a grievance filed by the Union under this Section.

## ARTICLE VIII - DISCHARGE CASES

- **8.01** In the event of an employee, who has attained seniority, being discharged from employment and the employee feeling that an injustice has been done, the case may be taken up as a grievance.
- **8.02** All such cases shall be taken up by the Union with the Company within three (3) working days and disposed of within seven (7) working days of the date the employee is notified of his discharge, except where a case is taken to arbitration. A claim by an employee who has attained seniority that he has been unjustly discharged from his employment shall be treated as a grievance if a written statement of such grievance signed by the employee is lodged with the Plant Manager within seven (7) working days after the employee is notified of his discharge. All preliminary steps of the grievance procedure prior to Step No. 3 will be omitted in such cases.
- **8.03** Such special grievance may be settled by confirming the Management's action in dismissing the employee, or by reinstating the employee in his former position with full compensation for time lost, or by any other arrangement which is just and equitable in the opinion of the conferring parties or of the Arbitrator, as the case may be.

# ARTICLE IX - ARBITRATION

- **9.01** Both parties to this Agreement agree that grievances concerning the interpretation or alleged violation of this Agreement, which have been processed through the grievance procedure outlined in Article V and which have not been settled therein, shall be referred to Arbitration at the request of either of the parties hereto. The grievance shall be heard by a single Arbitrator, who shall be chosen as hereinafter provided.
- **9.02** The grieving Party shall submit a list of five (5) Arbitrators for consideration. If none of the five (5) are chosen, then the other Party shall within one (1) week of the date of the first list submit a list of five (5) different names for consideration. If none are selected either party may ask the Ministry of Labour to make an appointment.
- **9.03** If either Party feels that the time taken for a chosen Arbitrator to hear the case is too long, they may by mutual agreement choose another Arbitrator or ask the Minister to make an appointment.
- **9.04** The decision of the Arbitrator constituted in the above manner shall be binding on both parties.
- **9.05** The Arbitrator shall not have any power to alter or change any of the provisions of this Agreement or to substitute any new provisions for any existing provisions, nor to give any decision inconsistent with the provisions of this Agreement, provided that where the grievance concerns discharge or suspension of an employee, the Arbitrator shall have the power to uphold the Management's action or dispose of the grievance in any manner which he considers just or equitable.
- **9.06** Except where otherwise provided for in this Agreement, each of the Parties hereto will bear its own expense with respect to any arbitration

proceedings. The Parties hereto will bear jointly the expenses of the Arbitrator on an equal basis.

9.07 Either party may request expedited arbitration under the Labour Relations Act of Ontario.

## ARTICLE X - NO STRIKES - NO LOCKOUTS

- 10.01 In view of the orderly procedure established by this Agreement for the settling of disputes and the handling of grievances, the Union agrees that, during the lifetime of this Agreement, there will be no strike, picketing, slowdown or stoppage of work, either complete or partial, and the Company agrees that there will be no lockout.
- 10.02 The Company shall have the right to discipline employees who take part in or instigate any strike, picketing, stoppage or slowdown in contravention of Section 10.01.
- 10.03 The Union further agrees that it will not involve any employee of the Company during working hours or the Company itself, in any dispute which may arise between any other employer and the employees of such other employer.

#### ARTICLE XI - WAGES

- 11.01 During the lifetime of this Agreement the Company agrees to pay and the Union agrees to accept the scale of wages set out in Appendix "A" and Appendix "B" hereto, which are hereby made a part of this Agreement.
- 11.02 The Company shall pay a premium rate of fifty cents (\$.50) per hour for all hours worked on the second shift, and fifty-five cents (\$.55) per hour for all hours worked on the third shift. The shift premium will not be included in calculating overtime and will not be considered as part of the base or day rate.

## ARTICLE XII - HOURS OF WORK AND OVERTIME

- 12.01 The following paragraphs and sections are intended to define the normal hours of work and shall not be construed as a guarantee of hours of work per day or per week, or of days of work per week.
- 12.02 The normal hours of work for all employees on a five (5) day continuous operation shall be five (5) days commencing:

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Sunday - 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. Night Shift
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Monday - 7:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Day Shift

Monday - 3:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Afternoon Shift

12.03 The normal hours of work for all employees on a non-continuous operation shall be five (5) days commencing:

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Sunday - 11:00 p.m. to 7:30 a.m. Night Shift
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Monday - 7:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Day Shift

Monday - 3:00 p.m. to 11:30 p.m. Afternoon Shift

with one-half (1/2) hour for lunch.

12.04 Overtime at the rate of time and one-half shall be paid for all work performed in excess of eight (8) hours in the day or forty (40) hours in the week and on Saturdays; overtime at the rate of double time will be paid for Statutory Holidays, all work performed in excess of twelve (12) hours in the day and on Sundays. In computing overtime, hours compensated for at overtime rates under any provision shall not be counted further for any purpose in determining overtime liability under the same or any other provisions. Overtime shall be voluntary except that if no one volunteers overtime will be required in reverse order of seniority until all needs are met as long as the employee required to work has not exceeded government maximums.

The Company agrees that if an employee is asked to work two (2) hours of overtime or more after arriving at work, the Company will provide the employee with a \$5.00 meal allowance either in cash or by voucher that will be redeemable within twenty-four (24) hours, except on weekends.

12.05 Available overtime will be distributed as equitably as possible amongst the persons who normally perform such work. Company to post weekly, overtime hours paid for the year to date.

## 7 DAY, 12 HOUR SHIFT ARRANGEMENT

12.06 The Union and Company agree that when business levels dictate, the parties agree to implement a 7-day, 12-hour shift schedule.

The Union and Company further understand that the 7-day, 12-hour shift schedule, when implemented, will be at a minimum for a complete cell, with a desire for all cells for the foreseeable future.

The Company and Union Bargaining Committee will determine when and if support staff will be included in the 7 day, 12 hour shift operation, i.e. Maintenance, Materials.

The duration of the schedule may be cancelled with agreement of the Company and Union Bargaining Committee and with a sixty (60) day notice period.

- a) The standard workweek will be as outlined in the schedule shown in k) below. The workweek will commence Sunday at 7:00 a.m. and premium pay for Sunday and Holidays will be paid as listed below. Premium payment for Sunday and Holidays will be for those shifts starting on those days at 7:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m.
- b) An employee will be paid one and one half times his regular hourly rate for:
  - (i) Time worked on a regularly scheduled day off in excess of the normal work week.

- (ii) The first eight (8) hours worked on a Sunday shift.
- c) An employee will be paid two (2) times his regular hourly rate for:
  - (i) Time worked in excess of twelve (12) hours, during the period of twenty-four (24) hours from and after commencement of the employee's regular shift, but not to exceed a total of sixteen (16) hours in this period.
  - (ii) Time worked on any day which a Statutory Holiday listed in 14.01 is observed, in addition to his Holiday pay.
  - (iii) All hours worked in excess of eight (8) hours on a Sunday shift.
- d) Employees working the non-standard work week (7 days, 12 hours) will be paid eight (8) hours at their base rate of pay for each Statutory Holiday worked provided they meet the qualifying provisions of the Collective Agreement. Employees not regularly scheduled to work the Statutory Holiday will be paid twelve (12) hours at their base rate of pay.
- e) Employees will be given fourteen (14) days notice before being scheduled to the 7-day, 12-hour shift arrangement.
- f) Bereavement Leave Employees working the 7 day, 12 hour shift arrangement will receive payment for time lost for the employee's regularly scheduled shift up to twelve (12) hours per day, to a maximum of thirty-six (36) hours.
- g) Shift premium for hours worked between 7:00 p.m. and 7:00 a.m. will be paid under this arrangement as follows:

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November 7, 2000 - $0.60 per hour
November 7, 2001 - $0.65 per hour
November 7, 2002 - $0.70 per hour
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- h) Additional shifts will be paid as specified above, provided that the employee works his regularly scheduled days in the work week, and provided the employee is absent due to authorized leave of absence, bereavement, vacation, or certified illness or injury.
- i) The Company agrees to continue to use the "call-in board".
- j) The Company will provide two (2) twenty (20) minute break periods per shift.
- k) CONTINUOUS OPERATIONS SCHEDULE 12 HOUR SHIFTS

WEEK #1	WEEK #2	WEEK #3	WEEK #4
SMTWTFS	SMTWTFS	SMTWTFS	SMTWTFS

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- 1) On the Sunday that Daylight Savings Time goes into effect, employees working the 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. Saturday shift will work one (1) hour less as a result of the time change. On the Sunday that Standard Time returns, employees working the 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. Saturday shift will work one (1) hour more as a result of the time change. Employees will be paid for their hours worked at the appropriate rate of pay.
- m) When an employee is required to change shift, the Company will ensure that the employee is not required to work more than three (3) consecutive shifts. The employee may choose to work the extended shifts at the appropriate rate and must be given seven (7) calendar days notice of the shift change.

#### ARTICLE XIII - VACATIONS WITH PAY

- 13.01 All employees who have been steadily employed by the Company for a period of one (1) year prior to July 1 in any year shall be entitled to two (2) weeks' vacation with pay at a time convenient to the company and shall receive as vacation pay an amount equivalent to four percent (4%) of the total wages the employee earned in the twelve (12) months immediately preceding July 1 in such year.
- 13.02 All employees who have been steadily employed by the Company for a period of five (5) consecutive years prior to
  July 1 in any year shall be entitled to three (3) weeks' vacation with pay at a time or times convenient to the Company, and shall receive as vacation pay an amount equivalent to six percent (6%) of their gross earnings during the twelve (12) months immediately preceding July 1 in such year.
- 13.03 All employees who have been steadily employed by the Company for a period of twelve (12) consecutive years prior to July 1 in any year shall be entitled to four (4) weeks' vacation with pay at a time or times convenient to the Company, and shall receive as vacation pay an amount equivalent to eight percent (8%) of their gross earnings during the twelve (12) months immediately preceding July 1 in such year.
- 13.04 All employees who have been steadily employed by the Company for a period of twenty-five (25) consecutive years prior to July 1 in any year shall be entitled to five (5) weeks' vacation with pay at a time or times convenient to the Company, and shall receive as vacation pay an amount equivalent to ten percent (10%) of their gross earnings during the twelve (12) months immediately preceding July 1 in such year.

- 13.05 Employees who have anniversary dates between July 1 and December 31, shall be eligible for the third, fourth, and/or fifth week of vacation in the year in which they first complete the required years of service. Employees will be eligible for the extra week that year on or after their eligibility date.
- 13.06 The Company will post the annual vacation schedule in the month of January in the event that the Company requires employees to work during a shutdown period. Vacation schedules will be finalized by March 31 of each year and each employee will be provided with the opportunity of a scheduled two (2) week summer holiday during the period from June 1 through September 30.

No weeks in this period will be blacked out for Manufacturing or Materials Specialists. However, any scheduled vacation shutdown periods will be blacked out for Maintenance Technologists unless otherwise mutually agreed.

No other vacations will be scheduled by the Company unless agreed to by the employee.

13.07 All employees shall receive their vacation pay no later than the third pay period of July of the current year, or plant shutdown, whichever comes first.

The Company agrees to pay early vacation pay requests with two (2) weeks prior written notice.

13.08 If an employee is off work due to an illness, injury or lay-off in any vacation year for six (6) weeks or longer (in a minimum of one (1) week blocks), they will not be required to use their vacation entitlement.

# ARTICLE XIV - STATUTORY HOLIDAYS

14.01 The following shall be paid Statutory Holidays:

New Year's Day, Heritage Day (or an alternate day by mutual agreement), Good Friday, Victoria Day, Canada Day, Civic Holiday, Labour Day, Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, Boxing Day and one additional day to be scheduled by mutual agreement in connection with New Year's Day or Christmas Day. (Boxing Day can be scheduled by the Company on a day other than the Holiday in conjunction with the celebration of Christmas Day.) If any of the above Holidays fall on a Saturday or Sunday it shall be celebrated at the option of the Company on Monday or Friday. All employees shall receive payment for such Holidays based on their regular current hourly rate for the regular number of hours, subject to the following conditions:

a) To be eligible for Holiday pay an employee must have completed his probationary period and must have worked the Statutory Holiday, or his scheduled working day immediately prior to and immediately following such Statutory Holiday. An employee absent on such day shall also be eligible if his absence is due to verified illness within a period of sixty (60) days prior to the Holiday, confirmed with a doctor's note dated on or before his

qualifying day(s), or if he has worked in the period seven (7) scheduled working days before the Holiday and his absence is due to death in the employee's immediate family, layoff from work or authorized leave of absence.

b) An employee who is eligible for Statutory Holiday pay in accordance with the above conditions and who performs work on any of the said paid Statutory Holidays shall be entitled to receive pay at double his regular hourly day rate for work performed on such Statutory Holiday, in addition to his Holiday pay.

It is agreed that if a Holiday falls on a Tuesday the plant will close on the Monday and if the Holiday falls on a Wednesday or Thursday the plant will close on the Friday in conjunction with such Holiday.

It is further agreed that an employee shall only be eligible for Holiday pay on the said Holiday if the employee works on any such scheduled additional day, unless absent for reasons set out in paragraph (a) hereof.

c) If an employee's scheduled vacation includes a Holiday, the employee shall receive Holiday pay in accordance with this Article and shall be granted an additional day off if the employee so elects.

#### ARTICLE XV - SENIORITY

15.01 The Parties recognize that job opportunity and security shall increase in proportion to length of service. It is therefore agreed that in all cases of vacancy, vacation preference, promotion, demotion, transfer, layoff, recall after layoff, cell and shift preference, senior employees shall be entitled to preference provided they have the ability and physical fitness to perform the available work.

For the purposes of a layoff, recall from layoff or job posting, qualifications will not be taken into consideration. The intention of providing preference in this article is for the senior employee to have preference among available openings or options at the time of a layoff or recall from layoff.

Senior employees entitled to preference will not be entitled to "bump" employees in exercising their preference. To "bump" is defined as displacing existing employees who are not otherwise affected by a workforce reduction. During a workforce reduction only affected employees will be entitled to exercise their seniority to select among available openings or options.

- 15.02 When employees have been laid off, they shall be placed on a recall list and when work is available they shall be recalled in order of seniority and with respect to ability and willingness to perform the job available.
- 15.03 An employee will be considered probationary for his first sixty (60) working days within a one hundred and twenty (120) day period and will have no seniority rights during that period, and his employment may be terminated at any time during such probationary period. After sixty (60) working days'

service within the one hundred and twenty (120) day period his seniority shall date back to the date sixty (60) working days within the one hundred and twenty (120) day period prior to the date on which he completed his probationary period.

- 15.04 Seniority shall terminate when an employee:
- a) Voluntarily quits for any reason;
- b) Is discharged and is not reinstated through the grievance procedure or arbitration;
- c) Has been on layoff for a period equal to his seniority to a maximum of thirty (30) months;
- d) Fails to respond to recall within three (3) working days and present himself within five (5) working days. Notification of recall will be by registered mail to the employee's last address registered with the Company and a copy of such notice shall be sent to the Union;
- e) Fails to return to work immediately after the expiration of a leave of absence, unless prevented from so doing by verified illness or without reasonable and substantial justification;
- f) Is absent from work for a period of three (3) consecutive working days without previously notifying the Company, unless there was reasonable and substantial justification for failure to give such notice;
- g) Is absent from work for a period of three (3) consecutive working days without leave, unless there was reasonable and substantial justification for such absence;
- h) Is not at work for a continuous period of thirty (30) months for any reason unless on approved leave of absence in accordance with Article XXVI or as otherwise provided for by law.
- 15.05 During emergency situations, including interferences with the Company operations, beyond the control of the Company which cause a layoff reasonably anticipated by the Company to last for a period not in excess of one (1) working day, the Company shall have the right to waive the provisions of this Article.
- 15.06 The Company shall give at least five (5) working days notice whenever reasonably possible to any employee laid off for a period in excess of five (5) working days.
- 15.07 Seniority lists will be revised every three (3) months and a copy of the list will be posted on the plant bulletin board. A copy of the list will be given to the Union. Seniority as referred to in this Agreement shall mean service in the employ of the Company within the bargaining unit, provided that persons hired on the same day shall be listed in accordance with Company hiring records. Each employee's seniority date and job classification will be

listed. Once per year a copy of such seniority list shall be mailed to the Oshawa area office of the Union. Such list shall contain the employee's job classification, current rate of pay and the employee's latest address and telephone number on file with the Company.

#### 15.08 JOB POSTING

- a) Except where there are employees laid off with recall rights, initial vacancies for permanent jobs and newly established jobs and the first vacancy created by filling those jobs shall be posted for a period of five (5) full working days on the bulletin boards provided for this purpose.
- b) Employees desiring consideration in the filling of the job vacancy posted pursuant to 15.08 (a) above shall signify their desire by signing the posting application for the job posted. All posted jobs will be filled within fifteen (15) days from the date of removal of the announcement in accordance with Article 15.01 and, if not, the successful employee will retain his current rate of pay, if greater than that of the posted position, until he is moved into the new position.

The Company may fill temporary vacancies, including permanent or new jobs, during periods of posting and applicant consideration.

- c) The Company shall notify the unsuccessful applicants within forty-eight (48) hours of filling the jobs and the reason they did not receive the posting.
- d) From time to time temporary job postings may be required. When applicable, these jobs may be posted as per Article 15.08 (b) and shall be in effect until the employee has worked thirty (30) shifts after which time the job will be posted as a permanent vacancy.
- e) It is agreed that only employees who have been employed in a current classification for a period of not less than twelve (12) months can apply under this provision.
- f) The employee appointed shall be considered to be on a trial for a period not to exceed thirty (30) working days. If such employee fails to perform at a satisfactory level in the job or classification during or at the end of the trial period he shall be returned to his former job or classification; the Company shall not be required to re-post the job but shall fill the vacancy, if possible, from the remaining applicants.
- g) Vacancies, other than initial vacancies for permanent jobs and newly established jobs by the Company and the first vacancy created by filling those jobs, shall be filled at the discretion of the Company provided that the Company shall give consideration to applications from existing employees. Selection of existing employees to fill such vacancies shall not be exercised in an arbitrary or discriminatory manner.

ARTICLE XVI - BULLETIN BOARDS

16.01 A bulletin board will be provided by the Company for the sole use of the Union. The Union will be issued all keys for this board. In turn, the Union will be responsible for all subject matter posted on their board. The Union also will ensure that there will be no subject matter posted that would be harmful to any employee, the Company, Company/Union relations, or conflicts with the spirit and intent of the Collective Agreement. In addition, there will be no posting of political or other notices that may inhibit the normal operations of the Company.

#### ARTICLE XVII - SPECIAL TRAINING

17.01 The Company shall have the right from time to time to designate certain persons who are to be given special training or experience in preparing them or trying out their capacities for other or broader assignments with the Company or for future service for, or other than, with the Company and to direct such persons, free from any limitations either expressed or implied under Article XV hereof; provided, however, that no such person shall be assigned to take over a job occupied at that time by an employee outranking such person for purposes of promotion if such assignment would result in the demotion of the former.

The Company agrees that at no time shall the number of trainees exceed one percent (1%) of the total number of employees within the bargaining unit.

Any person in special training who also is an employee within the bargaining unit must be given an opportunity to return to his former job within a sixty (60) day period if the Company decides that his services are no longer needed, or if it becomes apparent to the employee that he cannot fulfil such duties but under no circumstances may the employee be returned to the Bargaining Unit once ninety (90) days have elapsed.

This provision is applicable to cover work or jobs that are not subject to job posting, such as non-bargaining unit work.

# ARTICLE XVIII - GENERAL

- 18.01 a) An employee who is injured on the job and is unable to continue working will be paid for the balance of the scheduled shift including scheduled overtime for the number of hours he would have worked except for his injury. He shall be paid on the basis of his rate at the time of the injury.
- b) An employee who is required to take medical treatment during working hours in regard to an injury suffered while on the job shall be compensated for any loss of wages up to a maximum of two (2) hours by reason of taking such treatment.
- c) The Company agrees it is the injured employee's right that medical attention cannot be denied; however, the Company reserves the right to insist that the injured employee receive medical attention if, in the Company's opinion, it is required.

It is agreed that sums payable by the Company shall be reduced by any amount received by the employee as compensation for such loss of wages.

- 18.02 An employee temporarily transferred for a period in excess of four (4) hours for the convenience of the Company, including transfers to jobs because there is lack of work in the employee's regular classification, shall receive the rate of the job to which he is transferred or the rate of his own job, whichever is greater. An employee temporarily transferred for a period in excess of four (4) hours for his own convenience or because of reduction in the working force shall receive the rate of the job to which he is transferred.
- 18.03 a) In the event of the death of a employee's father, mother, stepfather, stepmother, wife, husband, son, daughter, brother, sister, mother-in-law, father-in-law, grandparent, grandchild, stepbrother, stepsister, stepson or stepdaughter, the employee will be granted not more than three (3) working days leave of absence with pay at the employee's regular hourly rate.
- b) In the event of the death of an employee's grandparent-in-law, brother-in-law, sister-in-law, son-in-law or daughter-in-law, one (1) day leave of absence shall be granted with pay at the employee's regular hourly rate to attend the funeral.
- 18.04 Any employee who is required to serve as a Crown witness or on a jury shall be paid the difference between the amount paid for such service and his regular hourly rate for the time lost from his regular scheduled work shift by reason of such service subject to the following provisions:
- a) Employees must notify their foreman within a reasonable time after receipt of notice of selection for jury duty and/or Crown witness;
- b) An employee called for jury duty and who is temporarily excused from attendance at court by 2:00 p.m. during working hours must report for work within a reasonable time.
- c) In order to be eligible for such payments, the employee must furnish a written statement from the appropriate public official showing the date and time served and the amount of pay received.
- d) Any employee called for Jury Duty or as a Crown Witness will be deemed to be on day shift for those days that he would normally be at work and for which he is required to attend court. The parties agree to discuss any anomalies to the above.
- 18.05 The Company shall pay employees all monies earned the previous week by Thursday. These monies will be deposited in the individual employee's bank account under the current pay deposit system.
- 18.06 If the Staff Representative wants to speak to the local Union President or Plant Chairperson about official Belden business, he shall advise the Plant Manager or his designated representative who shall then call the Union President or Plant Chairperson to an appropriate place where they may confer

privately. These talks will be limited to one (1) hour and arranged so they will not unduly interfere with production at management's discretion.

- 18.07 The Company agrees to match, on a weekly basis, the employee contribution of one (1) cent per hour for all hours worked by employees in the bargaining unit and, prior to the fifteenth day of the month following, to remit such payments to the Humanity Fund, care of the United Steelworkers of America, 234 Eglinton Ave. E., 7th Floor, Toronto, Ontario, M4P 1K7. The Company agrees to advise in writing both the Humanity Fund and the local union that such payment has been made and the amount of such payment.
- 18.08 If the Company closes its operation in Cobourg, Ontario, Canada, the Company will provide one week's pay for each year of service as severance for each employee with less than five (5) years continuous service who is not otherwise eligible to receive severance pay under the Employment Standards Act.

## ARTICLE XIX - HEALTH AND BENEFITS

- 19.01 Forming part of this Agreement between the Company and the Union is the following insurance and health plan under an insurance company. In the event the Company changes insurance companies, the Union will be notified in advance. Benefits cannot be changed as a result of changing carriers unless by mutual agreement of the parties. The Company agrees to provide employees with benefits booklets as soon as practicable after transition.
- a) Life insurance and accidental death and dismemberment:

  Effective February 1, 2004 \$60,000

  Effective November 7, 2004 \$65,000

  Effective November 7, 2005 \$70,000
- b) Weekly Indemnity: 66-2/3% of the employee's basic weekly earnings (not including overtime pay or bonuses) the result adjusted to the nearest dollar subject to a maximum benefit equal to the maximum sickness benefit payable under Employment Insurance, or \$413 per week, whichever is greater, (up to thirty-nine (39) weeks, first day of accident, first day of hospitalization in the event of sickness or accident, first day of booked (outpatient) surgery, and third day in the event of sickness where not hospitalized).
- C) Long Term Disability: Effective February 1, 1998 Commences 40th week (after W.I. expires) 66 2/3% of weekly earnings to the greater of \$2,200 per month or 80% of pre-disability earnings. (Maximum amount paid will include income from Government programs and Company employment.) Duration: until recovery, age 65 or death.
- d) The cost of additional medical forms for Weekly Indemnity and Long Term Disability (excluding the original claim medical forms) will be borne solely by the Company.

- e) Any employee is eligible for the above benefits after sixty (60) working days with the Company.
- f) All claims should be submitted promptly.
- g) The Company pays the entire cost of the plan for the employees.
- h) For more detailed information of the plan refer to your Group Insurance Booklet.
- i) The Company is to receive the entire benefit of a reduction in rates or rebate under the Unemployment Insurance Act for implementation of the weekly indemnity plans and improvement provided herein.
- 19.02 Plan for Medical, Surgical, Hospitalization Care. Prescription Drugs and Dental Plan to include coverage for immediate family and common law relationships.
- a) <u>Prescription Drugs</u>:

Effective February 1, 2001, employees pay two dollars (\$2.00) for each prescription 100% Company paid premium

b) <u>Dental Plan</u>: 100% basic coverage Effective January 31, 2004 - 2003 ODA Rates Effective January 1, 2005 - 2004 ODA Rates Effective January 1, 2006 - 2005 ODA Rates

> Orthodontics: Effective January 31, 2004 Employees and dependants under age 19 50% benefit payment Lifetime maximum \$1,500 each claimant 100% Company paid premium

c) <u>Vision Care Plan</u>: Effective January 31, 2004 \$175 once every two (2) years for employees and their dependents for corrective lenses through a service carrier of their choice.

Employees who exercise this benefit must do so to secure standard prescription safety glasses as described in Article 22.01 of this Collective Agreement and will not then be eligible to submit a claim for prescription safety glasses under Article 22.01.

- d) Orthopaedics: Effective January 31, 2004
  50% benefit payment
  \$1000 lifetime maximum
  100% Company paid premium
- e) Any employee is eligible for the above benefits after sixty (60) working days with the Company provided enrolment cards are signed.

- f) Refer to your Ontario Health Insurance Plan and Dental Plan booklets for more detailed information of the above plans.
- 19.03 Pension Plan: Effective November 3, 1987 the defined benefit pension plan will be terminated and the present value of that benefit will be "rolled over" into an individual account retirement plan.
- (i) Effective February 1, 2004, the contribution rate for the individual account retirement plan will be \$1.20 per hour worked for all labour grades.
- (ii) Effective November 7, 2004 this will be increased to \$1.30.
- (iii) Effective November 7, 2005 this will be increased to \$1.40.

Details of the individual account retirement plan will be as agreed to in the pension agreement dated November 8, 1987 as revised and restated effective September 24, 1993.

The Company agrees that it will make available an employee contribution feature to the individual account retirement plan. Employees will be allowed to contribute in \$.10 per hour increments (\$.10, \$.20, etc.) up to maximum of \$3.00 per hour worked on a pre-tax basis. It is mutually understood and agreed that if any changes occur in any Canadian legislation and/or regulations that would result in any liability to the Company under this Memorandum of Understanding, the Company may either terminate or modify the agreement in this Memorandum.

It will be the individual employee's responsibility to monitor their contributions so that their legal maximums are not exceeded. The Company will not be liable if the employees exceed their legal maximum contribution.

- 19.04 Effective December 10, 1994 employees will contribute \$10.00 per month towards benefits.
- 19.05 In the case of an absence of an employee on Workers' Compensation or Weekly Indemnity, the Company will continue to pay health benefits. In the case of an employee who is absent for any other reason for a period in excess of one (1) complete calendar month, the Company shall not be liable to pay any of the premiums provided herein.
- 19.06 Married female and male employees will be treated in the same manner under the provisions of this Article.

#### ARTICLE XX - MINIMUM RECOMPENSE

20.01 An employee reporting for work as scheduled, unless previously notified not to report, and for whom no work at his regular job is available, shall be offered at least four (4) hours employment in other work at the employee's applicable rate of pay, or at the Company's option will be paid four (4) hours pay at his applicable rate of pay in lieu of work. Without limiting the giving of notice by any other method, a notice posted on the Bulletin Boards of the departments concerned, prior to quitting time of the previous working day, shall be considered sufficient notice for the purpose of this Section.

20.02 Section 20.01 shall not apply if the failure to receive notice was caused by the employee's absence on the previous day, or if the failure to provide work is caused by reason of work stoppage, machinery breakdown, fire, flood, power failure, labour dispute, acts of God and other like causes. If an employee is absent the previous day because of schedule change, the Company will make an attempt to notify him.

#### ARTICLE XXI - EMERGENCY CALL-IN

21.01 Employees called in for any emergency work without any prior notice shall be guaranteed three (3) hours of work, or at the Company's option shall be allowed three (3) hours of pay at such employee's applicable rate. Emergency call-in for maintenance employees will be reimbursed at the rate of twenty-eight cents (\$.28) per kilometre, plus forty dollars (\$40.00) disruption allowance. In cases where overtime applies, only time actually worked by such employee will be considered in calculating overtime premiums.

# ARTICLE XXII - SAFETY GLASSES, CLOTHING AND TOOL ALLOWANCE

22.01 The Company agrees to supply each newly hired employee, at no cost to that employee, one pair of regular safety glasses.

Employees requiring prescription safety glasses will receive from the Company, an allowance towards the cost of one pair every two (2) years of standard American Optical Company/Cabot Safety prescription safety glasses that shall be supplied through the Company.

Safety Glasses Allowance:
90% of cost (AOCO/Cabot Safety)

- or -

Employees may opt instead to secure prescription safety glasses under the Vision Care Plan noted in Article 19.02 (e) of this Collective Agreement, but not both.

The Company agrees to replace, at no cost to the employees:

- a) Worn-out regular safety glasses; or
- b) Regular safety glasses and prescription safety glasses which were broken on the job providing the employee presents evidence as to the facts surrounding such breakage. The Company will not pay for any retesting in the case of such replacement of prescription glasses. If new frames or a different quality of glasses are requested, the selection of such is subject to the approval of the Company.
- **22.02** Clothing: Coveralls to be supplied by the Company. \$100 per year for summer pants/shirts will be provided for Maintenance skilled trades to be paid annually on May  $1^{\rm st}$ .

22.03 <u>Tool Allowance</u>: The Company will contribute towards the purchase of worn out tools, lost tools or job related new tools up to the amount shown in the following schedule:

 Machine Operators
 - \$ 40.00 per year

 Tool & Die Maker
 - \$325.00 per year

 Machinist
 - \$275.00 per year

 Mechanic
 - \$225.00 per year

 Electrician
 - \$225.00 per year

 Welder/fitter
 - \$200.00 per year

 Tool & Die Maint.
 - \$200.00 per year

 Facility Maint., Level I
 - \$125.00 per year

Apprentices shall be paid the tool allowance applicable to their trade.

Prior authorization of the Maintenance Supervisor is required and proof of replacement of worn out tools.

22.04 Safety Shoes: On proof of replacement of worn out shoes, the Company agrees to pay all employees who have completed their probationary period, \$100.00 towards the cost of one (1) pair of safety shoes per year.

Employees in classifications: Breakdown Operator, Armour Operator, and Braider Operator will be eligible for up to two (2) pair per year.

# ARTICLE XXIII - SAFETY COMMITTEE

23.01 The parties mutually agree to contribute to the preservation and continuance of the agreed Safety Program as outlined in the Statement of Policy on Occupational Health and Safety.

The program shall be given to each employee and be permanently displayed on Bulletin Boards. The parties agree to abide by the terms and conditions of the Ontario Occupational Health & Safety Act.

- 23.02 Whenever a Health and Safety Inspector or a W.C.B. Rehabilitation Officer are on the property they will be accompanied by a bargaining unit Safety Committee member who will be given copies of any reports filed by such Inspectors or Officers. In the case of the W.C.B Rehab. Officer, the affected employees' written consent will be required.
- 23.03 Notwithstanding the provisions of the Occupational Health and Safety Act, a worker may refuse to perform any work which he has reason to believe is likely to endanger himself or someone else. No employee will suffer loss of wages or be subject to discipline for exercising this right in good faith.

#### ARTICLE XXIV - UNION SECURITY

**24.01** The Company shall deduct from the pay of each member of the bargaining unit, weekly, such union dues and fees as prescribed by the Constitution of the Union.

- a) The Company shall remit the amounts so deducted, prior to the fifteenth (15th) day of the month following, by cheque, as directed by the Oshawa Area office, payable to the International Treasurer.
- b) The monthly remittance shall be accompanied by a statement showing the names of each employee from who pay deductions have been made and the total amount deducted for the month. Such statements shall also list the names of the employees from whom no deductions have been made and the reasons why, along with any forms required by the International Union.
- c) The Union agrees to indemnify and save the Company harmless against all claims or other forms of liability that may arise out of, or by reason of, deductions made or payments made in accordance with this Article.
- d) The Company agrees to record total union dues deductions paid by each employee on their T-4 Income Tax Receipt.

## ARTICLE XXV - DRIVERS

25.01 The terms and conditions set out in Appendix "B" hereto in regard to drivers shall form a part of this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE XXVI - LEAVE OF ABSENCE

- 26.01 The Company will grant a leave of absence if an employee requests it in writing from the Management and if the leave is for good reason and will not unreasonably interfere with the efficient operation of the plant. In the event that an employee requests an extended leave of absence without pay to participate in International Union activities as an Officer or employee of the Union, and such request is received in writing one (1) month in advance, the Company shall give due consideration to such request in light of the circumstances then existing and which are reasonably contemplated to be in existence during the term of such leave. The period of such leave shall not exceed one (1) year, except for leaves of absence granted for serving in a union office in which case the leave would be for the term of Office and for the purpose of this agreement seniority shall not be deemed to be broken during this period but all other rights and benefits under this contract shall cease.
- 26.02 The Company will grant leave of absence without pay to not more than five (5) employees to attend Union business for a period or periods not exceeding in the aggregate seventy-five (75) days in one calendar year, provided this shall not interfere with the efficient operations of the plant.

The Company agrees to continue to pay an employee absent from work on Union business which is not paid for by the Company as provided from elsewhere in this agreement, and the Union shall reimburse the Company for such wage payment upon receipt of a quarterly statement. The Union agrees to submit payment within thirty (30) days of receipt of the quarterly statement.

## ARTICLE XXVII - TERMINATION

27.01 This Agreement shall become effective on the 7th day of November 2003, and shall remain in full force and effect until the 6th day of November 2006, and from year to year thereafter unless written notice of intention to terminate or amend this Agreement is given by either party to the other not more than ninety (90) days before the date of its termination. All other items not specifically referred to above as either open or settled have been withdrawn by the party who submitted same.

EXECUTED on the 31st day of January, 2004.

BELDEN (CANADA) INC.	UNITED STEELWORKERS OF AMERICA
Charles Leaman	Jim Horne
Ron Kersey	Bill Downes
Pat Lefebvre	Pat Hannigan
Casino Casey	Rob Rom
	Peter Richards
	Wess Dowsett

# APPENDIX "A" WAGE SCHEDULE

Classification	02/1/04	11/7/04	11/7/05
General Factory 1	\$16.81	\$17.31	\$17.91
General Factory 2	\$17.95	\$18.45	\$19.05
Manufacturing Specialist, Level I	\$19.01	\$19.51	\$20.11
Manufacturing Specialist, Level II	\$19.46	\$19.96	\$20.56
Materials Specialist, Level I	\$18.65	\$19.15	\$19.75
Materials Specialist, Level II	\$19.46	\$19.96	\$20.56
Maintenance Electrician "A"	\$24.63	\$25.13	\$25.73
Maintenance Mechanic "A"	\$24.63	\$25.13	\$25.73
Maintenance Machinist "A"	\$24.63	\$25.13	\$25.73
Tool & Die Maker	\$25.25	\$25.75	\$26.35
Maintenance Technologists:			
Mechanic, Level I	\$26.42	\$26.92	\$27.52
Mechanic, Level II	\$26.87	\$27.37	\$27.97
Electrician, Level I	\$26.42	\$26.92	\$27.52
Electrician, Level II	\$26.87	\$27.37	\$27.97
Tool & Die Maker, Level I	\$27.09	\$27.59	\$28.19
Tool & Die Maker, Level II	\$27.54	\$28.04	\$28.64
Tool & Die Maintenance "A"	\$20.45	\$20.95	\$21.55
Tool & Die Maintenance, Level I	\$22.15	\$22.65	\$23.25
Driver	\$18.40	\$18.90	\$19.50
Maintenance Stores, Level I	\$17.95	\$18.45	\$19.05
Facility Maintenance, Level I	\$17.95	\$18.45	\$19.05

- a) The Company agrees that the establishment of any new classification shall be on the basis of fairness and equity and will apply only to newly created jobs and any present classification will only be revised due to a significant change in job structure and any rate changes because of this revision and establishment of new classifications will be consistent with the rate structure of Appendix "A"
- b) Apprentice rate to be based on a percentage of the journeyman rate of 75% first year of apprenticeship, 85% second year of apprenticeship, 88% third year of apprenticeship and 90% fourth year apprenticeship.
- c) If for any reason cellular manufacturing ceases to be a viable operation and the Company decides to return to the traditional way of manufacturing, the parties will meet to negotiate wage rates consistent with the job titles in Appendix "A" of the Collective Agreement dated November 7, 1994 to November 6, 1997, between Belden (Canada) Inc. and the United Steelworkers of America, Local 7175.

# APPENDIX "B" DRIVERS

## HOURS OF WORK AND BREAK PERIOD

Hours of work for all drivers and mechanics shall be as the delivery and pickup schedules and/or demand requires.

Overtime at the rate of time and one-half shall be paid for all work performed in excess of forty-four (44) hours in the week, for hourly-rated drivers only, which shall be calculated to exclude time taken for lunch as provided hereinafter.

It is agreed that the Company allows two (2) fifteen (15) minute periods for coffee break and a thirty (30) minute period for lunch without deductions of pay, for every twelve (12) hour period.

The drivers shall report for work according to the schedule posted at the bulletin board in the Plant, at whatever time the Company finds right to do the deliveries and pickups to the Company's best advantage.

Any driver reporting to work and punching his card is, in a case where his truck is not loaded and ready, requested to assist the Shipping Department in loading, readying the equipment or any other chores deemed necessary. In case of emergency the Company shall have the right to reschedule.

The Company agrees to provide uniforms for the use of the drivers after one year's service at cost not to exceed one-hundred & fifty dollars (\$150.00) per year.

The Company will pay for cleaning drivers' uniforms to a maximum of six dollars (\$6.00) per week, on submission of dry-cleaning receipts.

The following provisions and rates shall apply when any driver operates a tractor-trailer:

a) Single Axle Tractor 34.28cts/mile

b) Tandem Axle Tractor 34.84cts/mile

c) The first drop \$24.44 or pickup

Additional drops \$20.75 or pickups

d) Time spent due to breakdown or repairs will be paid in accordance with the hourly rate herein. Refuelling and daily maintenance check of tractor-trailers included in the per mile rate above.

# APPENDIX "C" MAINTENANCE TRAINING MATRIX

There are five (5) Program outlines in the Maintenance Training Matrix shown below including: Mechanic/Millwright, Electrician, Machinist, Tool & Die Maker, and Tool & Die Maintenance.

#### Program Administration:

Prior to starting any program or course the participating candidate must first obtain the approval of their Supervisor or Manager and the Union Bargaining Committee.

Courses identified under each Program must be flexible due to changes in course availability or technical requirements of the job. All revisions to the Program must receive approval of the Supervisor or Manager and the Union Bargaining Committee.

New Hires (all Trades): With the exception of Tool & Die Maintenance (not a recognized Trade by O.T.A.B.), all new hires into Maintenance, whether internal (existing employees) or external, must possess a recognized Trade ticket for the position being filled.

If a new hire has completed courses as outlined for Level I or Level II status prior to commencing employment with Belden, those courses will only be recognized by the Company if the course was completed within the last three (3) years, or is considered current by industry standards, to ensure technical knowledge is current.

All Maintenance programs or courses shall have, as part of the curriculum, a final exam that has a specific passing grade mark identified. A written transcript indicating completion of the program or course and the final mark, supplied by the training establishment, will be accepted in lieu of skill demonstration.

# MAINTENANCE TRAINING MATRIX

Mechanic/Millwright	Electrician	Machinist	Tool & Die Maker	Tool & Die
				Maintenance
To obtain Level I Select Electrical General	To obtain Level I Select Millwright General or Electronics addendum to Industrial Electrician Licence	To obtain Level I Select Advanced Machine/ Tool Operations	To obtain Level I Select Advanced Machine/ Tool Operations	To obtain Level I.  Must complete both items (a) and (b) of the Electrical General Program
Program Outline  Electrical General knowledge	Program Outline Mechanic/Millwright General knowledge	Program Outline Electronics addendum to Industrial Electrician licence	Program Outline Advanced Machine/Tool Operations	
<ul><li>a) Basic electrical &amp; safety course - T.B.D.</li><li>b) Basic Windows 95 program SSF (30 hrs.)</li></ul>	a) Basic Machine /Tool operations - SSF (100 hrs. under review, course outline available)	Intermediate Electronics Durham - <b>T.B.D.</b>	Advanced Machine/Tool operations - SSF <b>T.B.D.</b>	
33F (30 IIIS.)	And select only one of			
And select only one of	i) Hydraulics - <b>T.B.D.</b>			
i) PLC's basic intro - <b>T.B.D.</b>	- or -			
- or -	ii) Pneumatics - <b>T.B.D.</b>			
ii) Electronics Circuit Analysis Phase I - SSF (75hrs.)	- or -			
	iii) Thermal systems <b>T.B.D.</b>			
For Mechanic/Millwright to obtain Level II, he must select and complete either:	For Electrician to obtain Level II, he must select and complete either:	For Machinist to obtain Level II, he must select and complete either:	For Tool & Die to obtain Level II, he must select and complete either:	For Tool & Die Maintenance to obtain Level II, he must complete Basic
a) Trades recognition in General Machinist	a) Trades recognition in General Machinist	a) Trades recognition in Industrial Mechanic /Millwright or Tool and Die	a) Trades recognition in Industrial Mechanic /Millwright	Machine shop/tool operations - SSF (240 hrs.)
- or -	- or -	Maker	- or -	1113.)

b) Mechanic/Millwright specialization program:  Basic Machine shop /Tool operations - SSF ( 240 hrs.)  Plus One of the programs under the Mechanic /Millwright Specialization listed below	b) Complete any two courses from the Electrical specialization program listed below  - or -  c) Trades recognition in Mechanic/Millwright	- or -  b) Complete any two courses from the Machinist /Tool & Die specialization program listed below	b) Complete any two courses from the Machinist Tool & Die Specialization program listed below	
- or - c) Trades recognition in Electrical (requires C of A)				
Program Outline Mechanic/Millwright Specialization	Program Outline Electrical Specialization	Program Outline Machinist /Tool & Die Specialization	Program Outline Machinist /Tool & Die Specialization	Program Outline Electronics PCB Specialization
a) Hydraulics/Pneumatics Vickers Industrial Hydraulics Durham (40 hrs.)  - or - b) Vibration Analysis - T.B.D.	a) PLC-5 Maintenance & TS Allen Bradley CCP326 (40hrs.)  - or -  b) Electronics related to AC and DC motor control. (e.g. Allen Bradley, Reliance, Eurotherm - 40 hrs.)  - or -  c) Instrumentation , Temperature control (Course outline available) - T.B.D	a) C.A.D machining techniques - T.B.D. b) CNC machining techniques - T.B.D. c) Metallurgy / strength of materials - T.B.D.	a) C.A.D machining techniques - T.B.D. b) CNC machining techniques - T.B.D. c) Metallurgy / strength of materials - T.B.D.	Electronics Printed Circuit board repair. Electronics at the Board level Trouble shooting and repair techniques - <b>T.B.D.</b>

**Note 1: Mechanical cross-trained Electrical General:** When applicant completes Program they will be allowed to perform trouble shooting and <u>basic</u> installations and repairs to equipment requiring the skills of an Electrician as defined in Limits of Approach.

**Note 2: Electrical cross-trained Mechanical General:** When applicant completes Program they will be allowed to perform trouble shooting and <u>basic</u> installations and repairs to equipment requiring the skills of a Mechanic and the basic set-up and operation of machine shop equipment as defined in Limits of Approach.

# SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT

Company agrees to pay the cost of publication of 400 Contract booklets to be supplied to the Union. The Company also agrees that these copies will be available to the Union within 60 days from the date the Union representatives have returned the final proof to the Company.

#### CELLULAR MANUFACTURING AGREEMENT

## Preamble

1. This Agreement will form part of the Collective Agreement and will define the methodology and provide guidance in the implementation of cellular manufacturing. The intent of the parties is to use regular monthly Union/Management meetings as the means of achieving agreement on cellular manufacturing. However, if the Parties are unable to agree after reasonable efforts to do so, the Company may, pursuant to Article III of the Collective Bargaining Agreement, implement those decisions it deems necessary to achieve cellular manufacturing objectives. The Union has the right, pursuant to Articles VII and IX of the Collective Bargaining Agreement, to grieve and arbitrate those decisions by the Company that are alleged to violate either the Collective Bargaining Agreement or the Cellular Manufacturing Agreement.

## Preface

- 2. Today's workplace is changing. Some changes lead to new and different roles for unions and management.
- 3. Work reorganization includes such things as worker or employee involvement and empowerment, participatory management, quality programs, job restructuring and work teams. Cellular manufacturing shall involve all of these.
- 4. The Company and Union are prepared to actively participate in work reorganization. If properly implemented, work reorganization will lead to many benefits, including increased job security, greater responsibility and involvement of shop floor workers, better training, increased compensation, better quality, greater flexibility, profitability and customer responsiveness. It is only when all parties are actively involved that the positive potential of work reorganization will be fully developed, and the negative consequences be minimized or eliminated.
- 5. The Company recognizes that the Union plays an integral role in cellular manufacturing, therefore the Union, as an equal partner in cellular manufacturing and consistent with it's charter, may participate in making recommendations for:
  - a) Purchase and installation of new machines and equipment and designs of new equipment and processes.
  - b) Training of employees, selection of instructors, design of courses and training needs assessment.
  - c) Cellular manufacturing design.
- 6. The strategies to achieve success include the following:

- a) develop a well trained multiskilled work force
- b) invest in new technology designed to enhance process capabilities and plant productivity
- c) provide an environment where, through innovation and creativity, employees can assume greater responsibilities in the workplace
- d) establish a participatory management style encouraging open communication with all employees, with the understanding that agreements are through their bargaining agent
- e) written communication to the community at large will be discussed prior to issuance to determine whether joint communication by Management and the Union might be the more effective method advising those concerned
- f) emphasize a focus on customer service assuring delivery of quality products with reduced lead times.
- 7. Manufacturing cells will be staffed by teams of multiskilled specialists supported by maintenance and general factory classifications. The Company agrees that it will give priority to its own employees to meet production requirements in the plant.
- 8. Training opportunities for multiskilled job classifications will be offered to General Factory employees in order of seniority as opportunities arise.
- 9. The first step toward multiskilling as either a Manufacturing Specialist or Materials Specialist will require the demonstration of two skills.
- 10. For the Manufacturing Specialist these skills will include Braiding process, Cabling process, Drawing process, Extrusion process, Bunching process, and Armouring process.
- 11. For the Materials Specialist these skills will include Shipper/Receiver and Work-In-Process. These skills will qualify the employee for Level  $^{\mathsf{T}}$
- 12. In order to qualify for Level II in Materials the following skills must be attained: Plastic Compound Silo system, Customer Complaint Resolution (shipping only), Steam Tunnel operation, Cycle Count and Reconciliation, and Purchasing/Receiving (non-inventory items).
- 13. Employees who have worked as a Final (Packaging) Rewind Operator or Rewind/Print Line Operator (exclusive of Copper Rewind) will receive credit for one (1) skill applicable only to Level I status if they have met all of the following criteria:
  - a) were hired prior to January 1,1994

- b) worked in either of the above noted capacities for a cumulative period of three (3) months or more between January 23, 1993 and November 6, 1994 and
- c) can demonstrate, without training, the ability to run at least three (3) Final Rewind machines or the Rewind/Print Line.
- 14. For these affected employees to advance to Level II status, two (2) additional skills will be required. The Rewind/Print Line and Final Rewind jobs will not be available for future training opportunities.
- 15. Attainment of Level I for the Manufacturing Specialist will be demonstration of the ability to perform two (2) of the above listed applicable skills. Attainment of Level II for the Manufacturing Specialist will be demonstration of the ability to perform three (3) of the above listed applicable skills. Wherever possible, Level I and Level II training will be done in the employee's assigned cell.
- 16. Skills may become obsolete or redundant from time to time because of changes in technology or movement of equipment. This will only apply if the skill is removed from the Cobourg facility. When this occurs, the Company will provide to the affected employees one (1) opportunity to replace that skill within one (1) year from the time a skill becomes obsolete or redundant. Within this one (1) year period the affected employees will retain their Specialist classification and rate of pay.
  - If the Company cannot provide a training opportunity to the affected employees, they shall retain their Specialist classification and rate of pay until such time as the opportunity to train arises and is completed. Should an employee refuse the opportunity to train in an alternate skill or fail to successfully complete the training for the replacement skill, the employee's Level will be reduced in line with the skills maintained and pay rates will be adjusted appropriately. However, this will only take place if both parties have discussed and exhausted viable alternatives.
- 17. Employees who transfer into a Cell will be required to successfully complete training to acquire skills appropriate to their new Cell in order to maintain their Level. These employees will be given the appropriate training opportunities to acquire these skills within twelve (12) months of moving into the new Cell and skills from their previous Cell assignment will no longer be recognized.
  - Upon ratification employees will forfeit any skills that are not applicable to their current Cell assignment.
- 18. If the Company cannot provide a training opportunity to the affected employees, they shall retain their Specialist classification and rate of pay until such time as the opportunity to train arises and is completed. Should an employee refuse the opportunity to train in an alternate skill, or fail to successfully complete the training for replacement

- skills, the employee's Level will be reduced in line with the skills maintained and pay rates will be adjusted accordingly.
- 19. Following attainment of Level I status additional training programs as recommended by Management and the Union will be developed to ensure the continued update of knowledge as technology evolves. It would be expected that in order to retain the status of "Specialist" these update training programs would have to be taken and successfully completed.
- 20. The Company will provide any employee who has not worked a minimum of 36 hours on a machine (in the employee's skill complement) within the last six (6) months with three (3) shifts of refamiliarization training prior to assigning the employee to work on this machine.
- 21. When training needs are identified by the Company, skill completion and/or skill replacement opportunities will be offered to employees within the Cell, and on the shift, on a seniority basis. Declining to accept such an offer, or failing to complete the training, will result in the employee's Level and rate of pay being adjusted appropriately.
- 22. When training needs cannot be met through completion or replacement training within a Cell, on a shift, training opportunities will be offered by seniority in the Cell to the employee who has not achieved Level II.
- 23. At the time of ratification, employees who are Level I and have completed one machine of a two-machine skill requirement as outlined in the Skills Matrix in their assigned Cell to achieve Level II, will receive Level II pay until an opportunity arises to complete the skill training.
- 24. Newly hired employees will come into the General Factory 1 classification. Employees may then progress to General Factory 2, Level I and Level II, depending on need, and at the discretion of the Company.
- 25. Training opportunities will be assigned to General Factory employees in order of seniority.
- 26. Employees hired after the date of ratification who are unsuccessful in attaining Level I status under the Skills Matrix, such employee will be laid off in accordance with the terms of Article XV until such time as an opportunity is available to train to Level I in a different skill.
- 27. The Company will maintain four (4) General Factory 1 positions (one (1) in Materials and three (3) in Manufacturing). These four (4) individuals will not be laid off out of seniority provided the employee(s) has the skill and ability to perform the work available. The four (4) positions will be reduced as these named individuals leave the Company or move to a Specialist category.
- 28. An employee who takes it upon himself to learn additional skills in his current Cell, on his own, will be provided with a demonstration period

- of 3  $\times$  12 hour shifts, or such shorter time as may be agreed by the Facilitator and the demonstrator. Such requests to demonstrate must first be submitted in writing to the Training Coordinator.
- 29. When an employee achieves two (2) skills he will enter the Specialist classification and layoff from that classification will be by seniority.
  - For the purposes of layoff and recall from layoff, Manufacturing Specialists and Materials Specialists are considered to be one classification and seniority shall govern.
- 30. One of the objectives of work reorganization will be to find ways to preserve employment and to create new jobs where possible. Work reorganization will be based on an understanding that if productivity improvements lead to workforce reductions, alternatives to job elimination will be fully and completely explored.
- 31. No employees with twelve (12) months or more of service will be laid off without the prior involvement of the Union Bargaining Committee. In making its recommendations the committee will consider the available workload and all reasonable alternatives to layoff.
- 32. Any layoffs will start with the General Factory 1 classification. If there are to be more layoffs, they will continue into the General Factory 2 classification. These layoffs will be done by seniority. Employees who have achieved the age of sixty (60) and ten (10) years of service will be allowed to bump by seniority into a Specialist classification, provided they have held such classification within the previous three (3) years and they have the skills and ability to perform the job.
- 33. Employees who have the armouring skill will receive a premium of \$1.00 per hour to perform welds on armour strip. Employees who have the extrusion skill will receive a premium of \$0.45 per hour to perform Zetabon welds. This premium will be added to the qualified employees' base rate.
- 34. All employees will be paid their new rate of pay the day following the employee being signed off in the case of internal training, or upon receipt by the Training Coordinator from the employee of his certification in the case of external training.

## MAINTENANCE SERVICES

- 35. Maintenance services will be staffed by a team of Maintenance Technologists. This team will provide the technical resources to both maintain existing facilities and introduce new technical advances into our operation.
- 36. In developing this Maintenance Technologist classification, care will be taken to avoid undermining the knowledge base of any particular trade that traditionally has existed in the maintenance group. The training

programs will be designed to enhance existing skills and broaden skills into new areas in order to allow work to be performed more effectively. Training programs will be tailored to meet the needs of the Company and each individual maintenance tradesperson.

- 37. Successful completion of the program and demonstrated application of the acquired skills as judged by knowledgeable evaluator(s) will lead to recognition as a Maintenance Technologist. Following completion of the initial Technologist Level I training, additional training programs will be developed to ensure the continued updating of knowledge as technology evolves. It would be expected that in order to retain the status of Maintenance Technologist these update training programs would have to be taken and successfully completed.
- 38. To qualify as a Level I or Level II Maintenance Technologist, a tradesperson would have to master the appropriate skills in the agreed upon Maintenance Training Matrix, Appendix "C".
- 39. Effective November 6, 1994 qualification of any maintenance trade (primary skill) will require the attainment of an Ontario Provincial Certification where applicable.
- 40. Apprentices who write their first, second, third or fourth year apprenticeship examination and fail shall be given all other opportunities according to government guidelines to repeat. If they fail all other opportunities, in any year of the apprenticeship program, they shall be placed back into production.
- 41. Employment in the skilled trades shall be limited to maintenance technologists, journeymen (millwrights, electricians and other trades), apprentices and other maintenance related skills.
- 42. Maintenance training towards the attainment of Level II Maintenance Technologist will commence no later than March 16, 2001 and should be completed within a three (3) year period from that date for all maintenance employees hired prior to January 6, 2001.
- 43. Opportunities for training in the courses listed in Appendix "C" will be offered on the basis of maintenance employee seniority. Employees with the most seniority will be offered the first opportunity to participate in this training. If the senior-most maintenance employee refuses the training opportunity it will be offered to the next most senior maintenance employee. (Opportunities for apprenticeships will be offered on the same basis.)
- 44. Maintenance employees who refuse the training opportunity when offered, by seniority, or employees who do not successfully pass the requirements of the course(s) will be allowed a total of two (2) opportunities to pass the final examination. Two (2) refusals or failures by an employee will relieve the Company of the responsibility for any further upgrade

- training. Maintenance employees will not be allowed to participate in the same Company sponsored/paid course more than once.
- 45. All training opportunities for both Level I and Level II maintenance training will be selected from those courses listed in Appendix "C". The program outlines for Level II training will remain open to allow for the insertion of applicable courses that will benefit both the Tradesperson and the Company. Any proposed new courses will require the approval of Management and the Union prior to any enrollment or participation by maintenance employees.
- 46. In the event of a layoff, the most senior person will be retained to complete the work available provided that employee possesses a valid and appropriate Ontario Provincial Certificate, or has been recognized by the company as holding this certificate, to perform the required work.
- 47. If the Company intends to hire an apprentice in a Maintenance classification, consideration will be given to current employees who possess accredited apprenticeship status in the trade where the vacancy exists.
- 48. If an employee is accepted as an apprentice they shall have to pass the Ontario government qualifications of the Skilled Trades and Apprenticeship Act. If he fails these tests he shall return to his former classification at the applicable rate of pay. He shall further be prohibited from bidding as an apprentice for the duration of the collective agreement.
- 49. The Company agrees that it will give priority to its own employees in performing skilled trades maintenance and service work in the plant, providing the Company has the manpower, skills, equipment and facilities to do so and the work can be performed to required specifications within projected time limits.

## SUMMARY

50. In summary, the following classifications, (exclusive of Maintenance Technologist) with the skills required listed below, are described by this document.

## GENERAL FACTORY 1

51. This classification is for those employees who have not acquired any of the skills listed in the Skills Matrix, but who will be expected to perform those functions listed in #55 in addition to completing expected training.

## GENERAL FACTORY 2

52. This classification is for those employees who have acquired one (1) skill listed in the Skills Matrix. These employees will be expected to

perform those functions listed in #55 in addition to completing expected training.

# MATERIALS SPECIALIST

53. Shipper/receiver Work-in-process

## MANUFACTURING SPECIALIST

54.(a) Braiding Process
Cabling Process
Drawing Process
Extrusion Process
Bunching Process
Armouring Process

## (b) <u>LEVEL I</u>

This classification is for those employees who have acquired two (2) of the skills listed in the Skills Matrix. These employees will be expected to perform those functions listed in #55.

## (c) LEVEL II

This classification is for those employees who have acquired three (3) of the skills listed in the Skills Matrix. These employees will be expected to perform those functions listed in #55.

55. The following list of additional functions are representative of job duties which are not within the scope of multiskilling but are examples of the types of duties any employee may be expected to perform:

Minor Maintenance
Quality Assurance
Forklift (qualified)
Packaging
Scrap processing
Test (BX, HV, electronic - qualified)
Regrind
Real time data entry (MRPII)
Lagging
Final (Packaging) Rewind
Rewind/Print Line
Copper Rewind
Evaporation System

## Employee Involvement

56. Any employee affected by cellular manufacturing will be given an opportunity for input through sub-committees established by the Union and the Company.

- 57. All employees appointed members of Company-sponsored Committees will be paid at the appropriate rate for attendance at scheduled Committee meetings.
- 58. The appointment of these affected employees will be on the basis of the willingness of the affected employee to participate in the process.
- 59. The sub-committees will address issues such as process development, scheduling, training, plant layout, job content, descriptions, location and composition of cells, etc., and make recommendations to Management and the Union for its consideration.
- 60. Increased multiskilling through appropriate training is the goal of both the Company and the Union. Specific training objectives include:
  - a) Training must be an integral part of every job;
  - b) Training should be developmental and deepen the employees' knowledge;
  - c) Training should emphasize skills which are widely applicable and include specific jobs;
  - d) Training will be designed in ways that will consider the culture, age, gender, and educational background of the workforce;
  - e) Workplace training programs will be reviewed by Management and the Union and, where applicable, they will recommend appropriate courses of action;
  - f) If Management and the Union agree on training, such training will be at Company expense.
- 61. The Company and Union also recognize that external factors may impact the workforce during economic downturns. Actions such as the following will be considered to lessen that impact.
  - a) Reasonable levels of inventory of selected finished products will be accumulated during market declines, to be sold as the market rebounds.
  - b) Minimum levels of overtime will be worked to handle exceptional circumstances in accordance with Article XII.
  - c) To maximize the opportunity for re-employment in the event of layoff, the training programs referred to above would be designed so as to provide opportunities to broaden the general technical abilities of all employees.
  - d) Implement a Government Sponsored Work Sharing program if deemed feasible by Management and the Union.

- e) Only programs that are consistent with the collective agreement may be implemented. Work reorganization will not result in the development of structures which replace or bypass traditional union functions and structures or which undermine fundamental contractual rights.
- f) Discipline and related responsibilities will remain a Company responsibility. Work reorganization will be designed to foster cooperation among workers and greater group cohesion in the workplace.
- 62. It is understood that when employees multiskill and are compensated for such the Company gains flexibility by being able to make use of these newly acquired skills.
- 63. No committee of any kind, in the plant, with bargaining unit members will be formed without the approval of the Union.
- 64. Any employee that is called upon or required to train or represent the Company outside Company premises will be paid their regularly scheduled shifts. Days not regularly scheduled will be paid at eight (8) hours day rate pay.

To: United Steelworkers of America, Local 7175

From: Ron Kersey, Plant Manager

Subject: LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING FOR ERGONOMICS

RECOMMENDATIONS

This letter of understanding is to document the Company's support to develop ergonomic improvements in the workplace by assigning appropriate task force groups to address specific ergonomic issues recommended by the Joint Health & Safety Committee.

We are committed to the principle that no job or task is so important that it cannot be performed without taking full account of the safety and health risks involved and protecting against these risks by taking every precaution reasonable in the circumstances.

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Date: December 2, 2004

To: United Steelworkers of America, Local 7175

From: Ron Kersey, Plant Manager

Subject: LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING - RETIREMENT SAVINGS

PLAN

The Company agrees to facilitate employees' voluntary participation in a Retirement Savings Plan through Canada Life.

All full time employees covered by the Collective Agreement are eligible to join and will be required to complete forms obtained in the Human Resources Department.

The terms and conditions, rules and regulations of the Plan will be set out by Canada Life and the Company will exercise no control.

The Company assumes no responsibility other than forwarding payroll deductions to Canada Life as authorized by participating employees.

The Company will work with the Union and Canada Life to effect a transfer of funds by March 1, 1998.

To: United Steelworkers of America, Local 7175

From: Ron Kersey, Plant Manager

Subject: LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING FOR MAINTENANCE,

CELLULAR AND MATERIALS OVERTIME

This Letter of Understanding is to document the Company's intent to use the attached Maintenance, Cellular and Materials overtime procedures for overtime administration. The Company also agrees to abide by the call-in list provided.

Att'd. 3

## ATTACHMENT 1: MAINTENANCE OVERTIME

For the purpose of fair overtime distribution in the Maintenance Department the following will apply:

Hours worked will not exceed sixteen (16) hours in a 24-hour period.

#### Step 1:

Any overtime to cover full continental shifts will be done via the call-in board.

#### Step 2:

Any scheduled (non-emergency) overtime that is not a full continental shift will be offered to the person with the lowest hours on the overtime list at the time such overtime is offered.

#### Step 3:

All other overtime will be offered to the person with the lowest hours under the following conditions:

- (a) Employees at work (with the least overtime hours) will be offered emergency overtime before it is offered to employees on an emergency call-in basis.
- (b) The employee with the lowest hours at the start of a given work week will be deemed the person with the lowest hours for the entire work week.
- (c) Only one (1) emergency call-in will be allowed per person per day unless the rest of the call-in list has been exhausted and there is still work required.

### Absence:

- 1. If a person on 40-hours per week is absent during the week they will still be eligible for overtime the remainder of the week.
- 2. Article 12.06 (h) will apply for continental shift employees absent during the week.
- If an employee is absent for any reason when overtime is being requested, it will be considered a refusal.

### Refused Overtime:

When a 40-hour person refuses Friday night overtime, he will be asked again for Saturday after the apprentices in the group, if necessary.

This overtime distribution will be in effect as long as the Company stays in the current job rotation (e.g. 12-hour shifts and project crew). If the Company reverts to a three shift, forty-hour schedule, the Union and the Company will meet and adjust the maintenance overtime accordingly.

#### ATTACHMENT 2: CELLULAR OVERTIME

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 1996, THE FOLLOWING SEQUENCE FOR REQUESTING OVERTIME WILL BE IMPLEMENTED:

- STEP 1. Ask the person in the Cell who is performing the function, on the shift required, with the least hours of overtime logged. (Note: This is  $\underline{\text{NOT}}$  machine specific.)
- STEP 2. Ask anyone in the Cell qualified to perform the function, on the shift required, with the least hours of overtime logged.
- $\underline{\mathtt{STEP}\ 3}$ . Ask anyone in the Cell qualified to perform the function, on any shift, with the least hours of overtime logged.
- STEP 4. Ask anyone in the plant qualified to perform the function with the least hours of overtime logged.

## MISCELLANEOUS:

- (a) Overtime on weekends will, whenever possible, be requested on a full shift basis before any partial shifts are permitted.
- (b) No sixteen (16) hour shifts will be permitted unless all other steps are exhausted.

#### ATTACHMENT 3: MATERIALS OVERTIME

The Materials group consists of six (6) pairs in three (3) groups of Materials Specialists as follows:

Group 1: Teams A and D

Group 2: Teams B and C

Group 3: Teams E and F

When working, the groups will be servicing either Internal Customers (Manufacturing) or External Customers (Shipping and Receiving).

1. When working the Shipping and Receiving functions, overtime on Monday through Friday will be handled by the Teams assigned to that job function during the same period. Overtime will be requested in four (4) hour increments only.

If additional overtime is required beyond what the Shipping and Receiving Teams are able to cover, a request for additional overtime will be made of the person with the least overtime hours who is available to work. "Available to work" is defined as the person who is:

- (a) not finishing a twelve (12) hour shift;
- (b) not currently working a twelve (12) hour shift;
- (c) not commencing a twelve (12) hour shift.

Overtime required on Saturday or Sunday (Shipping and Receiving function) will be offered to the person with the least overtime hours who is available to work, as noted above.

2. Overtime required to fill a vacant shift on the Continental operation will be offered using the same rules noted above re eligible employees and request sequence, however, overtime will be requested for twelve (12) hours, six (6) hour split overtime shifts to be allowed if all four (4) members of the appropriate Group agree to share said overtime.

If overtime on the Continental operation must be requested of individuals from another Group, the twelve (12) hour requirement will prevail.

To: United Steelworkers of America, Local 7175

From: Ron Kersey, Plant Manager

Subject: LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING - EXTENSION OF TIME LIMITS FOR OUTSTANDING

**GRIEVANCES** 

This memo will serve to confirm that the Management of Belden (Canada) Inc. and members of the Executive Committee of Local 7175 of the United Steelworkers of America agree to extend time limits for grievance responses by mutual consent as may be necessary due to Continental shift schedules.

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Date: December 2, 2004

To: United Steelworkers of America, Local 7175

From: Ron Kersey, Plant Manager

Subject: LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING - COUNSELLING

Employees will be advised by the Facilitator/Supervisor when they are being counselled at the time the discussion is held with them. It will be clearly communicated to the employee that a counselling session is an informal discussion that is not recorded on their personnel file as discipline, but may be referenced in a disciplinary notice if the infraction is repeated and ultimately results in formal disciplinary action (i.e. verbal, written, suspension, etc.). Such discussion will be conducted in the presence of an authorized Union Representative if the employee so requests.

To: United Steelworkers' of America, Local 7175

From: Ron Kersey, Plant Manager

Subject: LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING - EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

The Company agrees to maintain an Employee Assistance Program during the life of this Collective Agreement.

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Date: December 2, 2003

To: United Steelworkers of America, Local 7175

From: Ron Kersey, Plant Manager

Subject: **LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING - PAY ERRORS** (Ref. 18.05)

The Company agrees that all pay errors amounting to eight (8) hours or more will be addressed with manual cheques issued for the net amount due. Appropriate deductions will be shown in the year-to-date totals only on pay stubs, and will not be calculated into the current week's gross pay for deduction purposes.

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Date: January 28, 2004

To: United Steelworkers of America, Local 7175

From: Ron Kersey, Plant Manager

Re: LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING - RETURN TO WORK POLICY

The Company agrees to develop a return to work policy no later than 90 days following the date of ratification of the collective agreement. This policy

will include language to insure the same consideration for accommodation for all non-occupational or occupational injuries and/or illnesses.

To: United Steelworkers of America, Local 7175

From: Ron Kersey, Plant Manager

Subject: LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING - SKILLS MATRIX

The general provisions of the Collective Agreement provide that opportunities for employees to acquire the various levels of multiskilling will be provided in a fair and equitable manner recognizing the needs of the Company and the employees, and respecting the rights and wishes of employees in order of the individual's seniority.

The following is a list of individual skills proposed for each of the current manufacturing Cells. These skills are not listed in order of priority or difficulty and each skill is intended to be of equal importance to the success of the Company. It is intended to recognize the difficulties associated with achieving a level of proficiency in each particular skill.

## MANUFACTURING SKILLS MATRIX - January 14, 2004

Skill	Blue	White	Black	Silver	Copper
Insulating	124+126	101+151	80 + 79	61	Rod Breakdown
Jacketing	127+128	102+108		62 + 69	
Twinning	Twinners	Twinners		Twinners	Bunchers
	+ 36"	+ 36"		+ 36"	
					Northampton +
Cabling	72"	SZ	63"	48"	Planetary
Armouring	Armour		Armour	Armour	
Braiding		Braiders			
Drawing					Intermediates

To: United Steelworkers of America, Local 7175

From: Ron Kersey, Plant Manager

Subject: LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING - SUMMER STUDENT RECRUITMENT

The Company may hire students for the plant for the time period between May  $1^{\rm st}$  and September  $15^{\rm th}$  if required. In so doing, the following criteria will apply:

- (a) Student applicants must:
  - (i) Be a minimum of 18 years of age;
  - (ii) Have completed one year of College or University;
  - (iii) Be returning to College or University their next available term;
  - (iv) Submit a resume annually by March 30 each year for consideration in subsequent years.
- (b) First consideration will be given (in the following order) to:
  - (i) Students with previous experience at Belden who have received positive endorsement by their direct Supervisor; (Students who do not receive positive endorsement will not be rehired.)
  - (ii) Sons and daughters of current bargaining unit employees;
  - (iii) Students returning to school in September of the same year;
  - (iv) Students who provide documentation confirming that their classes do not resume before February 1 of the following year.
- (c) New students not previously employed by Belden will be hired on the basis of the following criteria: (Note: All things being equal, successful candidates who are sons and daughters of bargaining unit employees will be hired on the basis of the employees' years of service.)
  - (i) Previous manufacturing experience
  - (ii) General work history
  - (iii) Academic standing
  - (iv) General aptitude and attitude
  - (v) Ability to work continental shifts if required
- (d) No student will be required to pay union dues and they will not attain seniority.

DATE: May 17, 2002

TO: United Steelworkers Of America, Local 7175

FROM; Ron Kersey, Plant Manager

RE: ZETABON EXTRUDER OPERATORS & ARMOUR REPAIR OPERATORS

The Company and the Union agree to the following as it relates to Zetabon Extruder Operators, and Armour Operators who provide welded repairs to armoured product.

#### Effective June 1, 2002:

Zetabon Extruder Operators - Employees who have the extrusion skill and have demonstrated their proficiency to perform Zetabond welds on Extrusion line #12 in the Blue Cell will receive a premium of \$0.45 per hour for all hours worked. This premium will be added to the qualified operator's base rate and shall be maintained as long as the operator demonstrates his welding ability, at a minimum, every three months. It will be Management's responsibility to ensure such opportunities to demonstrate are made available. Failing this, the employee will retain the premium until such time as Management provides the demonstration opportunity. This premium will not be included in calculating overtime and will not be considered as part of the base or day rate."

<u>Armour Repair Operators</u> - The Company will provide an opportunity, on a voluntary basis (giving preference by seniority), to twelve (12) "designated" armour repair operators (three (3) from each shift) from the existing employees holding the armouring repair qualification as of October 24, 2001, to perform armour weld repairs throughout the plant, in any cell, at the request of the employee's Supervisor.

Operators who accept this responsibility will be required to demonstrate their proficiency to make welded repairs to armoured product for a period that coincides with the ratification date of the next collective agreement, at a minimum of once every six (6) months. Such demonstrations are expected to take no more than 60 minutes to effect a successful weld. Failure to successfully complete such welds in the time frame stipulated during any demonstration will disqualify the Operator from performing armour welds and receiving the applicable premium.

While on shift the designated armour repair operators will be expected to complete each repair in 60 minutes or less. Operators failing to maintain this level of proficiency on a ten- weld average will lose the armour repair designation and the applicable premium will be discontinued immediately.

Management will utilize a rotation list to ensure that the designated welders on each shift are provided sufficient opportunity, in rotation, to maintain their proficiency level.

These twelve (12) operators will be the only individuals deemed qualified to perform armour weld repairs in the plant. During this period these operators will be expected to perform their regularly scheduled production duties when they are not required to perform the welding function.

For the duration of the collective agreement it is understood and agreed that these twelve (12) individuals will not be allowed to permanently change shift

unless it is mutually agreeable to trade with another qualified operator with the same armour repair welding qualification.

The qualified operators on each shift will be required to schedule any vacation entitlement beyond the normal cell shutdown period, leaves of absence, or any other time off work so that the plant operation is covered during such absences by two other "designated" armour repair operator on his shift. Vacation

entitlement selection will be awarded by seniority in the case of a scheduling conflict.

The twelve (12) "designated" armour repair operators will receive a welding premium of \$1.00 per hour for all hours worked that will not be included in calculating overtime and will not be considered as part of the base or day rate.

Armour repair operators wishing to drop the armour repair welding skill may do so by giving three (3) months notice at any time following the date of ratification of the collective agreement by applying in writing to the Cobourg Plant Training Coordinator.

The Company will be guaranteed three (3) armour repair welders per shift to perform necessary welds. If there are insufficient volunteers, the Company may fill its three (3) per shift requirement by making it mandatory for its junior employee(s) who have the armouring skill on the required shift."