Machinists Ratify Five-Year Deal with TBH Services

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Toronto, ON – Members of IAM Local Lodge 2323 have ratified a new five-year collective agreement with TBH Services at Toronto Pearson Airport.

"At the bargaining table we advocated for better wages, a pension plan and paid sick days and we were successful," explained IAM District Lodge 140 General Chairperson Tal Rayat. "These workers have never had a pension plan and now they will have the IAM multi-employer pension plan starting in 2018. That was a key ingredient in the ratification."

The agreement provides wage increases of 2 per cent in the first year, 2 per cent in the second year, 1.75 per cent in the third year, 4 per cent in the fourth year and 2.5 per cent in the fifth year.

The top rate for a Baggage Lead hand by the end of agreement will be \$18.64 per hour, top rate for Drivers will be \$16.82 and top rate for Passenger Service Agents will be \$15.39. The members are also eligible for bonuses should the employer's contract be renewed by the Greater Toronto Airport Authority (GTAA).

The 125 members consist of baggage handlers, drivers, lead hands and passenger service agents who handle all inter-terminal baggage and oversized baggage at Toronto Pearson.

The IAM is the largest union at Pearson Airport representing more than ten thousand workers.

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