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Teamsters Local 117  
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**SPEEA congratulates Teamsters 117 on new contract at Sysco**

Dear Sec.-Treas. Scearcy and Pres.-Exec. Dir. Woodrow,

The 16,700 professional aerospace workers represented by the Society of Professional Engineering Employees in Aerospace (SPEEA), IFPTE Local 2001, in Washington, Kansas, Oregon, Utah and California, wish to congratulate you on the groundbreaking new contract with Sysco.

Your contract negotiations achieved significant gains, including \$4 an hour raises, vacation improvements, excellent medical/pension benefits and health care for retirees.

Sysco warehouse workers and drivers deserve this. They have always worked hard, but the COVID-19 pandemic caused even more strain and hardship through deliveries to COVID quarantine wards and personnel shortages when an outbreak hit the shop floor.

Voting unanimously to authorize a strike after the company committed a series of unfair labor practices sent a strong message to Sysco. Your solidarity made the difference and is reflected in the contract's ratification by a large margin.

As leaders of our professional aerospace labor union, we celebrate your outstanding work that encourages all of us to keep fighting for what is right for workers everywhere.

Sincerely,

**SPEEA Executive Board**

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