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To All Business Managers in the US and Canada:

Brothers and Sisters,

A wildfire has displaced close to 50 SMART members in and around Fort McMurray, Alberta, Canada. It is reported that not many structures in this city are habitable and that many of our Brothers and Sisters have left their homes with only the clothes on their backs.

SMART LU 8 is helping out in any way they can and the SMART Disaster Relief Fund is sending assistance as well. I am asking each of you to consider assisting these stricken members by helping out. You can best do this by making a contribution in one of the following ways, based upon your location.

US Local Unions, Councils and individuals- send your contributions to the SMWI Scholarship Foundation and note that it should be earmarked for the Fort McMurray Disaster. Doing it this way makes contributions made by an individual tax deductible.

-or-

Canadian Local Unions, Councils and individuals- send your contributions to the SMART Disaster Relief Fund and note this should be earmarked for the Fort McMurray Disaster.

The mailing address in both examples is:

SMART (Ft. McMurray)
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It doesn't take a lot of effort to imagine the magnitude of your loss were you to be told to leave your home in this manner and the effort it will take to rebuild your life.

SMART leaders and members always rise to the challenge when it comes to looking out for one another and I know we will do so this time. Please make every effort to send your help to us at your earliest opportunity.

Fraternally,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Joseph Sellers, Jr.' in a cursive script.

JOSEPH SELLERS, JR.
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