

## Vermont Delegation Urges Resolution Between COTS Board and Employees

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Washington, DC -- Citing the vital role that COTS plays in the community, Sen. Patrick Leahy, Sen. Bernie Sanders, and Rep. Peter Welch hope an agreement between the parties can be reached.

The following letter was sent by the Vermont delegation to the COTS Board of Directors and UE Vermont today:

January 24, 2007

COTS Board of Directors  
c/o COTS Board Chair Tim Halvorson  
Halvorson's Café  
16 Church St.  
Burlington, VT 05401

UE Vermont  
416 Pine Street  
Burlington, VT 05401

Dear COTS Board of Directors and UE Vermont:

We appreciate the very important role that COTS plays in our community and we hope that an agreement can soon be reached between the COTS Board, employees and the United Electrical Workers Union (UE).

Our understanding is that the UE has recently proposed an election process which is similar to that proposed by the COTS Board. In other words, the parties are close to an agreement as to the rules under which a union election should be held.

We strongly recommend that a meeting between the COTS Board of Directors, employees and the UE take place very soon so the differences between the two parties can be resolved as early as possible.

Sincerely,

PATRICK LEAHY  
United States Senator

BERNARD SANDERS  
United States Senator

PETER WELCH  
United States Congressman