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Handed by Messrs. Casey and Skeffington.

Pittsfield, Mass., May 10, 1918.

To the Management of the General Electric Co.,  
Pittsfield Works.

The Electricians, Wiremen and Helpers coming under jurisdiction of L. U. 242 I.B.E.W. respectfully make the following requests believing them to be entirely just and fair both to the Company and to the men affected.

1st- A flat rate of 70¢ per hour for Electricians and Wiremen and 50¢ per hour for Helpers.

2nd- That men do not have to cut by hand threads on pipe larger than three-quarter (3/4) inch, but have a machine to do this work except on small jobs and in emergencies.

3rd- That no man be forced or requested to wear the heavy leather padded caps now used as a badge or pass. We are willing to wear the letter L or some form of badge, buckle or pin furnished by the Company or given on a deposit by the man. These caps are very bad for the health of some men and uncomfortable to all.

4th- That suitable pipe bending equipment be furnished for bending over one (1) inch pipe. (A hickey not deemed as such)

6th- That we have an answer to all demands herein stated on or before April 1st, 1918.

7th- That these demands go into effect May 1st, 1918.

Signed -

W. B. Morrison  
I. E. Barnes

J. S. Lind  
B. J. Barry

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