CENTRAL SOUTH CARPENTERS REGIONAL COUNCIL

UNITED BROTHERHOOD OF CARPENTERS AND JOINERS OF AMERICA



Dear Brothers and Sisters:

It is my distinct privilege to welcome our fellow brother and sister members from the great state of Mississippi into the Central South Carpenters Regional Council.

Current members of Carpenters Local Union 318 with an address in Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma or Texas are now serviced by the Central South Carpenters Regional Council and the New Orleans Carpenters & Piledrivers Local Union 1846.

I am honored to serve as your Executive Secretary-Treasurer, and I am extremely optimistic regarding opportunities that exist within our expanded geographical region. Our new Regional Council footprint currently has more than 5,000 UBC members who, collectively, will produce about 5.1 million man-hours worked annually.

I understand that with change comes many questions, concerns and unknowns. In addition to information packets that are being mailed to our new Mississippi members, please know that I am personally available - as well as the Council's leadership - to address your specific questions.

Our goal is to ensure a pleasant, successful transition for every new member. To lay a good foundation for this process, the Council's leadership and I urge you to attend one of these two informational meetings:

- August 13, 7 p.m. at Local Union 318 in Birmingham, Alabama at 7 p.m.
- August 6, 6:30 p.m. at the Moss Point Carpenters & Millwrights Training Center

You will receive information about these meetings soon, but for now, please save the date and plan to attend. In the mean time, should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the Regional Council office at 504-305-4737 or jbird@cscouncil.net.

I am eager to work with each and every one of you to ensure a successful, pro-active Regional Council dedicated to increasing market share and raising standards for carpenters.

Jason B. Engels

Executive Secretary Treasurer