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**FCi Federal WORKERS AT NEBRASKA SERVICE CENTER  
IN LINCOLN, NEBRASKA RALLY FOR A FAIR CONTRACT**

Almost 300 government contract employees at the Nebraska Service Center in Lincoln, Nebraska are in a struggle for a union contract with the FCi Federal. These employees, who are represented by the United Electrical Radio and Machine Workers of America (UE) Local 808 will hold a rally on Tuesday in support of a fair contract and to demand that FCi quit stalling and begin negotiating.

FCi Federal is a Virginia-based company that was recently awarded a government contract to provide support services to the service center operated by the United States Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS) in Lincoln, Nebraska. Employees at the service center recently organized a union to address many issues including no wage increases for more than five years, despite low unemployment and rapid average wage increases in Lincoln (“Nebraska’s Jobless Rate Lowest in 17 Years” *Lincoln Journal Star* April 21, 2015).

“Every few years the government contract goes out for bid and we get a new employer. We formed our union earlier this year to protect and improve our wages, benefits and working conditions as contractors come and go. We want FCi to stop stalling and begin bargaining for a fair contract,” says Andrew Martens, worker and Local 808 Chief Steward 2<sup>nd</sup> shift.

Lacey Harry, worker and Local 808 Chief Steward 1<sup>st</sup> shift explains, “Every day we come to work and we work hard for our paychecks. Our members provide critical services to the US government, yet we haven’t had a wage increase in years. We care about our jobs and we deserve to be compensated for the work we do.”

There have been several requests asking FCi to begin bargaining with UE Local 808. Thus far the company has not complied.

Rally details are as follows:

**When: Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Time: 2:30 pm p.m. until 3:30 p.m.**

**Where: Star Building – across from the entrance to the Star parking lot  
850 S Street, Lincoln NE 68508**