



New Report Outlines Job Impacts of “Green Locomotives” at Erie, PA Plant

PA Can Have Cleaner, Safer Rail System; Thousands More Manufacturing Jobs

When: April 25, 11AM Eastern

Where: On Zoom ([register here](#))

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(Erie, PA)— Tomorrow, April 25, the Keystone Research Center, in partnership with UE; the Political Economy Research Institute (PERI) at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst; and Senator Bob Casey’s office, will release a new research paper highlighting the exciting findings of a new study conducted by the PERI institute. This study has calculated the employment impacts of “green locomotive” manufacturing at the Erie, PA Wabtec plant, both in Erie County and the wider Pennsylvania economy.

There are about 26,000 old locomotives in the United States that are below current environmental standards — they need to be replaced or remanufactured. Now is the time to ensure that the work to make our rail system cleaner and safer is done by union workers. We have the opportunity to create tremendous job growth as well as other positive economic impacts in the region by building Green Locomotives at the Wabtec facility in Erie, Pennsylvania.

Speakers include:

Gregor Semieniuk, Assistant Research Professor, Political Economy Research Institute (PERI)
Stephen Herzenberg, Keystone Research Center Executive Director / ReImagine Appalachia Co-Director

Carl Rosen, General President, United Electrical, Radio & Machine Workers of America (UE)

Scott Slawson, UE Local 506 President

Kyle Hannon, Regional Manager, Senator Bob Casey

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