

At the level of the International Union, we must continue to work for progressive legislation. This includes laws --

- Improving air and water quality.
- Requiring reductions in toxic waste, and restricting the use of toxic chemicals.
- Promoting recycling, in ways that protect union jobs.
- Protecting "whistleblowers" who report suspected environmental violations, and workers who refuse to carry out an order that violates environmental laws or endangers the public.
- Guaranteeing income protection and job retraining for workers displaced because of environmental problems.
- Ensuring that new technology is introduced in a way that is subject to democratic planning, and protects the interests of working people and their communities.
- Banning, or defining as an unfair trade practice, the import of products made abroad under conditions that do not meet environmental standards.
- Prohibiting the dumping of toxic waste from North America in developing countries, and the export of products or processes that are banned in the exporting country for environmental reasons. Working to ensure the safe use of all other exports.
- Supporting strong international agreements on greenhouse warming, ozone depletion, and other global issues.
- Giving financial aid and debt relief to developing countries, in order to help them achieve sustainable development.