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IBEW TO VOTE ON MODIFIED PACKAGE

Negotiations between the Western Electric Co. and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, AFL-CIO, were recessed Wednesday following nine days of continuous negotiations in Washington.

W. J. Usery Jr., national director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, said a new modified package was worked out between the parties which the IBEW EM-3 Council has agreed to submit to its membership throughout the country for approval or rejection. The terms of the new national contract would cover approximately 60,000 employees at 16 plants throughout the United States.

Negotiations of unresolved local issues at individual plants are scheduled to take place during the next several days.

The IBEW has been on strike against Western Electric since August 5.

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