

**A G R E E M E N T**

**By and Between  
ALLIED EMPLOYERS, INC.**

**For and on Behalf of  
SAFEWAY INC.**

**and  
UNITED FOOD AND COMMERCIAL WORKERS  
UNION LOCAL #367**

**MEAT DEALERS  
(Lewis County)**

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This Agreement is made by and between Allied Employers, Inc., for and on behalf of Safeway Inc., in Lewis County and United Food and Commercial Workers Union Local #367. All changes except as specifically designated shall become effective the first (1st) Sunday following the signing of this Agreement.

**ARTICLE 1 - CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT**

1.1 Allied Employers, Inc., hereby recognizes, during the term of this Agreement, United Food & Commercial Workers Union Local #367, as the sole and exclusive Collective Bargaining Agency for all employees of the Employer whose job classification is set forth in this Agreement.

1.2 United Food and Commercial Workers Union Local #367, for and on behalf of its members, hereby recognizes during the term of this Agreement, Allied Employers, Inc., as the sole and exclusive Collective Bargaining Agency for Safeway Inc.

1.3 Pursuant to and in conformance with Section 8(a)3 of the Labor Management Relations Act of 1947, it is agreed that all employees (including members of the family, except one who shall be exempt as owner) coming under the terms of this Agreement shall make application to join the Union within thirty-one (31) days following the date of employment or within thirty-one (31) days following the signing of this Agreement, whichever is the latter, and must maintain membership in good standing for the life of this Agreement and any renewal thereof. The Employer shall discharge any employee as to whom the Union, through its authorized representative, delivers to the Employer's Main Office a written notice that such employee is not in good standing. Employer shall inform employees of the foregoing requirement at the time they are employed.

1.3.1 For the purpose of this Agreement, good standing shall be defined as the tendering of dues and initiation fees uniformly required of members of the Union.

1.3.2 The Union agrees to hold the Employer harmless for discharges made pursuant to this Article.

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1.4 No bargaining unit work will be permitted by cleanup employees.

1.5 Each month the Employer shall provide an electronic report of all new hires and terminations. Such report shall include the employees' first name, middle initial and last name, social security number, phone number (home and/or cell), email (if available), store number/work location, department, job classification, wage rate, date of hire/rehire and/or date of termination.

Each quarter the Employer shall provide an electronic report of all employees covered under the current bargaining agreement. Such report shall include the employees' first name, middle initial and last name, social security number, address, phone number (home and/or cell), email (if available), store number/work location, department, job classification, wage rate, and date of hire/rehire.

## **ARTICLE 2 - WORKING HOURS**

2.1 The straight-time workweek shall be Sunday through Saturday and such straight-time work may be scheduled on daily shifts beginning at 6:00 a.m. or after. Eight (8) consecutive hours, exclusive of lunch period, shall constitute a day's work and five (5) full eight (8) hour days shall constitute a workweek. All time worked in excess of eight (8) hours in any one day, in excess of forty (40) hours in any calendar week shall be considered overtime and shall be paid for at the rate of one and one-half (1-1/2) times the regular rate of pay. Extra employees shall receive not less than four (4) continuous hours' work or equivalent compensation in any one day ordered to report for work, compensation to begin at the time of reporting for duty. No split shift shall be allowed. Where six (6) days, Monday through Saturday, are worked in any one week time and one-half (1-1/2) shall be paid for work on the day the least number of hours are worked.

2.1.1 An optional workweek of four (4) ten (10) hour days may be utilized with the following terms:

- a. This optional workweek must be mutually agreeable between the Employer and the employee;
- b. Employees working this optional workweek shall be guaranteed forty (40) hours per week;
- c. Notice of the optional workweek shall be given by Thursday of the preceding week;
- d. The fifth and sixth day worked in the same workweek shall be paid for at the rate of time and one-half (1-1/2) (except Sunday which shall be paid for at the Sunday rate);
- e. A minimum of two (2) consecutive scheduled days off;
- f. All work over ten (10) hours per day shall be paid for at the rate of time and one-half (1-1/2) the straight-time rate of pay;

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- g. In addition to the rest periods provided for in Section 3.01, employees working the four/ten workweek shall be given an additional rest period of ten (10) minutes after the completion of eight (8) hours' work;
- h. Sick leave pay shall begin after sixteen (16) hours missed;
- i. Holidays shall be paid as follows:
  - 1. If the employee is scheduled for forty (40) hours during the holiday week, he/she shall receive eight (8) hours' holiday pay for holidays not worked;
  - 2. If an employee is scheduled for less than forty (40) hours during a holiday week, he/she shall receive ten hours holiday pay for holidays not worked.

2.2 In order to give employees as much notice as possible in the planning of their weekly schedules of work, the Employer agrees to post a work schedule for all regular full-time and all regular part-time employees in accordance with Letter of Understanding – Scheduling Practices, and except in cases of emergency, no changes shall be made in said schedule without full forty-eight (48) hours' notice to the employees involved in such changes of schedule. All emergency change of shift hours will be reported to the Union. If they report for work as scheduled, regular full-time employees shall be guaranteed eight (8) hours' work per day and forty (40) hours' work per week, Sunday through Saturday, and regular part-time employees shall be guaranteed a minimum of four (4) hours work. These guarantees shall not apply in cases of Acts of God or other emergencies beyond the Employer's control. Employees required to work after 6:00 P.M. on Christmas Eve or New Year's Eve shall be entitled to time and one-half (1-1/2) for all hours worked after 6:00 P.M. on such days.

2.3 All work performed before 6:00 A.M. and after 7:00 P.M. shall be paid for at the premium rate of fifty cents (50¢) per hour. Such work shall first be offered to regular employees. However, premium pay shall not be required in addition to overtime pay. Unless scheduled the week before, guaranteed call-in for Sunday shall be eight (8) hours except Service Counter Employees whose guaranteed call-in shall be four (4) hours. Minimum call-ins on holidays shall be four (4) hours.

2.4 When fresh meat is offered for sale and a member of the bargaining unit is not on duty in the meat market during such hours, no one other than a member of the bargaining unit shall perform work in the meat market. When a member of the bargaining unit is not on duty, this clause shall not apply to those products that have been prepared by meat department employees and are in storage ready for sale, such may be placed in the meat counter by the person in charge of the store, and such action shall not be considered a violation of this clause.

2.5 A minimum of ten (10) hours shall be required between straight-time shifts. Otherwise, the premium of time and one-half (1-1/2) will be required for any hours that may be worked prior to the expiration of the ten (10) hour period. All time worked after eight (8) consecutive days shall be paid at the rate of time and one-half (1-1/2) the appropriate contract rate (excluding Sunday/holiday premium pay) until a day off is given. Employees requested to work on the ninth (9th) consecutive day shall advise management that they have already worked eight (8) consecutive days.

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2.6 No Pyramiding – There shall be no compounding or pyramiding of premium pay and overtime pay and only the highest applicable rate shall be paid for an hour of work performed under this Agreement.

### **ARTICLE 3 - REST PERIODS**

3.1 There shall be a rest period of at least fifteen (15) minutes in every continuous four (4) hour period of employment. In the event that one shift shall be less than four (4) hours and the other shift shall be four (4) hours or more, there shall be only one (1) rest period, fifteen (15) minutes in the longer shift. Provided, further, any employee who works eight (8) hours in any daily straight-time or night shift shall receive two (2) fifteen (15) minute rest periods, one (1) prior to the lunch period and one (1) after the lunch period. No employee shall be required to work more than three (3) hours without a rest period nor more than five (5) hours without a lunch period.

3.2 The Employer may arrange such rest periods by individual relief or general periods and they shall be as nearly as practicable in the middle of each work period.

3.3 If an employee is scheduled to work two (2) hours beyond the end of his regular straight-time shift, he shall be given an additional rest period of ten (10) minutes at the end of his regular straight-time shift. For each full two (2) hours of overtime work, an employee shall be entitled to an additional ten (10) minute rest period.

3.4 Any rest period interval shall cover time from stopping work and returning thereto.

### **ARTICLE 4 - MINIMUM RATES OF PAY**

4.1 Increases are “across the board” so that employees paid above scale will receive the wage increases. The exceptions to this rule are: (a) employees being paid an over scale rate due to an increase in the Washington State minimum wage; (b) employees who have transferred into another classification and have had their wage rate frozen at an above scale level; and (c) any Safeway Seafood Managers (see Letter of Understanding – Safeway Seafood Department Managers).

In no event shall any wage classification be less than ten cents (10¢) per hour above the then current Washington State minimum wage. Each rate will be at least ten cents (10¢) per hour higher than the previous rate in the progression schedule.

Sunday Rates: For Meat Cutter and Meat Wrapper employees hired prior to April 3, 2011, all work performed on Sundays shall be at the rate of time and one-third (1.333) the straight-time hourly rate. For Service Counter employees hired prior to April 3, 2011, all worked performed on Sundays shall be at the rate of 1.2 the straight-time hourly rate. For all employees hired on or after April 3, 2011, Sunday rates will be calculated in the same manner, up to a maximum Sunday premium of \$1.00 per hour over the employee’s regular straight-time hourly rate.

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#### 4.1.1 Meat Cutters

**For employees hired before April 2, 2011:** The progression step hours were not printed, however they still exist for employees that were hired prior to 2011 that transfer between Appendices.

**For employees hired on or after April 2, 2011:**

Classifications	Current	4/12/20	1/1/21^	4/11/21^	1/1/22^	4/10/22^	1/1/23^
Market Manager	\$24.05	\$24.60	\$24.60	\$25.15	\$25.15	\$25.70	\$25.70
Journeyman	23.05	23.60	23.60	24.15	24.15	24.70	24.70
	Current	4/12/20	1/1/21^	4/11/21^	1/1/22^	4/10/22^	1/1/23^
6 <sup>th</sup> 6 months	19.70	19.70					
5 <sup>th</sup> 6 months	18.15	18.15					
4 <sup>th</sup> 6 months	16.60	16.60					
3 <sup>rd</sup> 6 months	15.06	15.06					
2 <sup>nd</sup> 6 months	13.70	13.70					
1 <sup>st</sup> 6 months	13.60	13.60					

^Wage rates TBD based on minimum wage at that time.

Journeyman Meat Cutters performing Market Manager's responsibilities for a period of four (4) hours or more shall receive the Market Manager's rate of pay for all hours involved.

#### 4.1.2 Meat Wrappers

**For employees hired prior to April 2, 2005:** The progression step hours were not printed, however they still exist for employees that were hired prior to 2005 that transfer between Appendices.

**Employees hired on or after April 2, 2005:**

Classifications	Current	4/12/20	1/1/21^	4/11/21^	1/1/22^	4/10/22^	1/1/23^
Journeyman	\$20.50	\$21.05	\$21.05	\$21.60	\$21.60	\$22.15	\$22.15
	Current	4/12/20	1/1/21^	4/11/21^	1/1/22^	4/10/22^	1/1/23^
Next 520 hrs.	14.30	14.30					
Next 1040 hrs.	14.20	14.20					
Next 1040 hrs.	14.10	14.10					
Next 1040 hrs.	14.00	14.00					
Next 1040 hrs.	13.90	13.90					
Next 1040 hrs.	13.80	13.80					
Next 1040 hrs.	13.70	13.70					
1 <sup>st</sup> 1040 hrs.	13.60	13.60					

^Wage rates TBD based on minimum wage at that time.



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**4.1.3 Service Counter Employees** - Service Counter employees will be considered a separate classification for all purposes including seniority. Service Counter employees shall not be permitted to cut, bone, or grind fresh meat or perform any wrapping of meat products for preparation for sale in self-service cases. Service Counter employees may cut a steak or roast which has already been processed by a Meat Cutter to size in order to serve a customer, modify any prepared cut to suit a customer, or use the slicing or cube machines to serve a customer. When a Meat Cutter or Meat Wrapper is not on duty, the Service Counter employee may stock the self-service case with products that have been prepared by Meat Cutters or Meat Wrappers and are in storage ready for sale. Service Counter employees may perform work in the self-service deli.

Seafood products may be wrapped and priced in the Service Department and placed in the self-service meat counter or other places in the store for customer purchase, provided, the store has a designated Lead Service Counter employee.

Service Counter employees performing work in the self-service deli shall be paid for such work at the Wrapper rate of pay in the corresponding progression bracket. Service Counter employees scheduled to work in the self-service deli shall have such scheduled time designated on the work schedules.

Lead Service Counter employees shall be a separate classification at the option of the Employer. Service Counter employees assigned to the Lead position shall not lose their seniority status. Seniority shall not apply in the selection of the Lead Service Counter employee. This position shall apply to the employee assigned by management the responsibilities of scheduling and directing the work within the Service Department. Employees assigned the above responsibilities shall be classified as Lead Service Counter employees.

Increases are “across the board” so that employees paid above scale will receive the wage increases. The exceptions to this rule are: (a) employees being paid an over scale rate due to an increase in the Washington State minimum wage; (b) employees who have transferred into another classification and have had their wage rate frozen at an above scale level; and (c) any Safeway Seafood Managers (see Letter of Understanding – Safeway Seafood Department Managers).

### **Service Counter Rates**

**For employees hired prior to April 2, 2005:** The progression step hours were not printed, however they still exist for employees that were hired prior to 2005 that transfer between Appendices.

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### Employees Hired on or After April 2, 2005:

<b>Classifications</b>	<b>Current</b>	<b>4/12/20</b>	<b>1/1/21<sup>^</sup></b>	<b>4/11/21<sup>^</sup></b>	<b>1/1/22<sup>^</sup></b>	<b>4/10/22<sup>^</sup></b>	<b>1/1/23<sup>^</sup></b>
Lead S/C	\$16.80	\$17.40	\$17.40	\$18.00	\$18.00	\$18.60	\$18.60
Journeyman	16.30	16.90	16.90	17.50	17.50	18.10	18.10
	<b>Current</b>	<b>4/12/20</b>	<b>1/1/21<sup>^</sup></b>	<b>4/11/21<sup>^</sup></b>	<b>1/1/22<sup>^</sup></b>	<b>4/10/22<sup>^</sup></b>	<b>1/1/23<sup>^</sup></b>
Next 520	14.30	14.30					
Next 1040 hrs.	14.20	14.20					
Next 1040 hrs.	14.10	14.10					
Next 1040 hrs.	14.00	14.00					
Next 1040 hrs.	13.90	13.90					
Next 1040 hrs.	13.80	13.80					
Next 1040 hrs.	13.70	13.70					
1st 1040 hrs.	13.60	13.60					

<sup>^</sup>Wage rates TBD based on minimum wage at that time.

4.2 Wrapper employees as covered by this Agreement shall not be permitted to cut, bone, or grind fresh meat, however, the wrapper may cut a steak or roast which has already been processed by a meat cutter to size in order to serve a customer, modify any prepared cut to suit a customer, use the slicing machine or cube steak machine to serve customers.

4.3 Service Counter Employee Promotion: Meat Service Counter employees who are promoted to another position under Grocery Appendix B or C shall remain at their current wage rate, but shall be given credit for prior hours of experience towards their new progression.

Meat Service Counter employees who are promoted to a Wrapper position or a position under the Grocery Appendix A shall remain at their current wage rate until accumulating 2,080 hours and then shall progress to the next higher rate in the progression and then continue their progression under the Wrapper or Appendix A progression.

4.4 For the purpose of computing months of experience under section 4.1 of this Article, one hundred seventy-three and one-third (173-1/3) hours of employment in the retail-wholesale meat industry shall be counted as one month's experience, provided that no employee shall be credited for more than one hundred seventy-three and one-third (173-1/3) hours of experience in any one month.

4.5 All employees shall be paid not less frequently than every two (2) weeks on a regular basis.

4.6 Sixty (60) days prior to the introduction of any new methods of operation into the bargaining unit that would create the need for a new work classification and rate of pay for such new classification, the Employer shall notify the Union of any such new methods, including a description of work being performed and the wage rate assigned. Any question as to the adequacy of the wage rate established for the new job classification shall be presented in writing by the

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Union within ten (10) calendar days following the Employer's written notice to the Union, and shall be subject to negotiation and if not agreed upon, shall be subject to the grievance procedure as set forth in Article 15 of this Agreement. If, through the procedure set forth in Article 15, it is determined that the wage rate assigned by the Employer should be adjusted, such adjustment shall be retroactive to the date that such new method is put into effect.

## **ARTICLE 5 - RETIREMENT PROGRAM**

5.1 During the 2019 negotiations, the parties reached detailed pension agreement which is set forth in Attachment A-1 (Albertsons/Safeway) to the parties' Health & Welfare and Pension Agreement. The required employer hourly contributions are set forth in this Article below and in the parties' pension agreement.

Each Employer and the Union agree to be bound by the terms and provisions of that certain Trust Agreement creating the Sound Retirement Trust dated January 13, 1966, and as subsequently amended. Further, each Employer accepts as his representatives, for the purpose of such Trust Fund, the Employer Trustees who will be appointed by Allied Employers, Inc., to serve on the Board of Trustees of said Trust Fund and their duly appointed successors. Each Employer and the Union also agree to be bound by the terms of the parties' Health & Welfare and Pension Agreement. At such time as the Kroger transfer to the UFCW Consolidated Fund is complete and all of the terms of the Kroger Pension Agreement have been met, Kroger will no longer participate in the Sound Retirement Trust.

### 5.2 Employer Contributions:

5.2.1 Until the effective date of the new future service defined benefit variable plan ("Sound VAP Trust"), the Employer will continue to make contributions to the Sound Retirement Trust as described in this Section and the Employer's active employees will continue to earn benefit accruals under the Sound Retirement Trust. The Employer will contribute the following amounts and in accordance with Attachment A-1 (Albertsons/Safeway) to the parties' Health & Welfare and Pension Agreement:

	<b>Meat Cutters &amp; Wrappers</b>	<b>Service Counter</b>
Base	\$0.45	\$0.225
Past Rehab Incr.	\$0.794	\$0.794
<b>Current Total</b>	\$1.244	\$1.019
<b>Rehab Plan Increases This Term</b>		
April 2020 hours (\$0.03)	\$1.274	\$1.049
July 2020 hours (+\$0.10)	\$1.374	\$1.149
Jan. 2021 hours (+\$0.076)	\$1.450	\$1.225
July 2021 hours (+\$0.10)	\$1.550	\$1.325
Jan. 2022 hours (+\$0.076)	\$1.626	\$1.401
July 2022 hours (+\$0.10)	\$1.726	\$1.501
Jan. 2023 hours (+\$0.076)	\$1.802	\$1.577

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5.2.2 Upon the effective date of the new future service defined benefit variable plan (“Sound VAP Trust”), Albertsons/Safeway/Similarly-Situated Employers will continue to contribute to the Sound Retirement Trust at the rates stated in the chart in Section 5.2.1 above, LESS fifty-five cents (\$0.55) per hour per Attachment A-1 (Albertsons/Safeway) to the Health & Welfare and Pension Agreement.

5.3 Sound VAP Trust Employer Contributions: Upon the effective date of the new future service defined benefit variable plan (“Sound VAP Trust”), each employer will contribute for each eligible employee to the Sound VAP Trust in accordance with Attachment A-1 (Albertsons/Safeway) to the Health & Welfare and Pension Agreement.

5.4 The Union shall have the right to defer any contractual Journey person wage increase arising during this contract into the Pension Plan. The Union shall decide whether and for how long such deferral will last. Such additional contribution shall go to deficit reduction, and not to increase the benefit credit. The details of the deferral are subject to review and approval by the trustees and trust counsel.

5.5 The total amount due for each calendar month shall be remitted in a lump sum not later than twenty (20) days after the last business day of such month. The Employer agrees to abide by such rules as may be established by the Trustees of said Trust to facilitate the determination of contributions due, the prompt and orderly collection of such amounts, and the accurate reporting and recording of such amounts paid on account of each member of the bargaining unit. Failure to make all payments herein provided for within time specified shall be a breach of this Agreement.

5.6 The term "compensable hour" shall have the same meaning as set forth in Article 8.

5.7 The contribution referred to in Section 5.2 shall be computed monthly and the total amount due for each calendar month shall be remitted in a lump sum not later than twenty (20) days after the 1st day of the month.

5.8 The Board of Trustees of the Sound Retirement Trust shall have the authority to establish and enforce a method of reporting contributions on an accounting period basis, rather than a calendar month basis, provided that in no event shall the Employer's total obligation be different than what it would have been on a calendar month basis. Further, the total contributions due for each approved accounting period shall be remitted in a lump sum not later than twenty (20) days after the end of the accounting period.

5.9 Pension Protection Act (“PPA”). This Agreement is to be subject to the 2018 Plan Year Rehabilitation Plan adopted by the Sound Retirement Trust Board of Trustees, as revised December 5, 2019.

## **ARTICLE 6 - SICK LEAVE**

6.1 Employees, during each twelve (12) months following their last date of employment (after the first (1st) and each succeeding year of continuous employment with their current Employer)

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shall be entitled as set forth below to paid sick leave at their current regular straight-time hourly rate for bona fide illness or injury.

6.2 Sick leave pay shall be accrued by an employee depending upon the number of straight-time hours worked, (including paid vacations and paid holiday hours) by the employee with his current Employer in each twelve (12) months as follows:

<u>Hours Worked</u>	<u>Hours of Sick Leave Pay</u>
1248 to 1679	24
1680 to 1999	32
2000 or more	40

6.3 Sick leave pay, to the extent it has been earned, shall begin on the third (3rd) working day of illness or injury or first (1st) day of hospital confinement, shall continue for each working day of illness or injury thereafter, and shall be in an amount per day equal to the average number of straight-time hours worked per day by the employee during the past twelve (12) months; provided (1) the daily total of sick leave pay under this Article and disability payments provided by the Health and Welfare Plan shall not exceed the contract rate for one (1) eight (8) hour day; and (2) not more than five (5) days' sick leave pay shall be required in any one (1) workweek. For the purposes of this Article, disabling outpatient surgery will be treated as hospitalization.

6.4 Sick leave pay shall be cumulative from year to year, but not to exceed a maximum of one hundred sixty (160) hours. Sick leave pay must be earned by employment with the Employer.

6.5 A doctor's certificate or other authoritative verification of illness may be required by the Employer and, if so, must be presented by the employee not more than forty-eight (48) hours after return to work. If the employee is absent more than two (2) scheduled days, such verification must be presented prior to return to work, provided the Employer has given the employee reasonable advance notice.

6.6 Any employee found to have abused sick leave benefits by falsification or misrepresentation shall thereupon be subject to disciplinary action, reduction or elimination of sick leave benefits (including accumulated sick leave) and shall further restore to the Company amounts paid to such employee for the period of such absence, or may be discharged by the Company for such falsification or misrepresentation.

6.7 Sick leave may be used to supplement Workmen's Compensation to the extent it has been accumulated; however, the total of sick leave pay, disability payment under any Insurance Plan and Workmen's Compensation benefits paid to an employee in any calendar week will not exceed the average earnings of that employee for the six (6) workweeks prior to his/her absence.

6.8 Family Leave - Employees shall be permitted family leave in accordance with RCW 49.12 on the same terms and conditions (including eligibility requirements) as provided in Sections 6.1 and 6.7 above.

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## **ARTICLE 7 - JURY DUTY**

7.1 After their first year of employment, employees who are regularly employed twenty-four (24) hours or more per week who are called for service on a superior court or federal district court jury shall be excused from work for the days on which they serve and shall be paid the difference between the fee they receive for such service and the amount of straight-time earnings lost by reason of such service up to a limit of eight (8) hours per day and forty (40) hours per week; provided, however, an employee called for jury duty who is temporarily excused from attendance at court must report for work if sufficient time remains after such excuse to permit him to report to his place of work and work at least one-half (1/2) of his normal workday. Employees who have served a full day as a juror, and who are scheduled to commence work after 5:00 PM, shall not be required to report to work that day. In order to be eligible for such payments, the employee must furnish a written statement from the appropriate public official showing the date and time served and the amount of jury pay received. This clause shall not apply to an employee who volunteers for jury duty.

7.2 Witness duty - Employees required to appear in court or in legal proceedings on behalf of their Employer during unscheduled hours, shall receive compensation at their regular straight-time hourly rate of pay only for the time spent in making such appearance, less any witness fees received. No other provision of this Agreement shall apply to this Article.

7.3 If an employee is required to appear on behalf of his/her Employer during regular scheduled hours, he/she shall receive compensation at their regular straight-time hourly rate of pay for the time spent in making such appearance, less any witness fees. In this event, these hours will be considered compensable hours under the terms of this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 8 - HEALTH AND WELFARE**

8.1 The Employer and the Union agree to be bound by the terms and provisions of that certain Trust Agreement creating the Sound Health & Wellness Trust, initially executed June 18, 1957, and all subsequent revisions or amendments thereto. The Employer accepts as his representatives for the purpose of this Trust Fund, the Employer Trustees serving on the Board of Trustees of said Trust Fund and their duly appointed successors. The Employer and the Union also agree to be bound by the terms of the parties' Health & Welfare and Pension Agreement and by all subsequent revisions or amendments thereto.

8.2 The Employer party to this Agreement shall continue to pay on a per compensable hour basis (maximum of one hundred and seventy-three (173) hours per calendar month per employee) into the Sound Health & Wellness Trust for the purpose of providing the employees with hospital, medical, surgical, vision, group life, accidental death and dismemberment, weekly indemnity benefits and dental benefits in accordance with the contribution rates and related provisions established by the separate Health and Welfare Agreement between Allied Employers, Inc., and various Local Unions dated April 1, 1977 and as subsequently amended .

8.3 The details of the benefit programs including a description of exact benefits to be provided, and the rules under which employees and their dependents shall be eligible for such benefits, shall

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be determined by the Trustees of the Sound Health & Wellness Trust in accordance with the terms and provisions of the Trust Agreement creating the Trust, dated June 18, 1957, and as may be subsequently amended.

8.4 The contribution referred to shall be computed monthly and the total amount due for each calendar month shall be remitted in a lump sum not later than twenty (20) days after the last day of the month in which the contributions were earned.

8.4.1 Notwithstanding the foregoing Section, the Board of Trustees of the Sound Health & Wellness Trust shall have the authority to establish and enforce a method for reporting contributions on an accounting period basis, rather than a calendar month basis. In such a case, the one hundred and seventy-three (173) hour maximum shall be appropriately adjusted, as directed by the Trustees, provided that in no event shall the Employer's total obligation be different than what it would have been on a calendar month basis. Further, the total contributions due for each approved accounting period shall be remitted in a lump sum not later than twenty (20) days after the end of the accounting period.

8.5 The term "compensable hour" shall mean any hour for which any employee receives any compensation required by this Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 9 - BEREAVEMENT LEAVE**

9.1 When seniority is acquired, employees shall be allowed up to three (3) days off with pay for loss of their normal scheduled days of work during the three calendar days commencing with or immediately following the date of the death of an immediate member of his family. Immediate family shall be defined as spouse, son, daughter, mother, father, brother, sister, mother-in-law or father-in-law, grandparents, stepchildren, grandchildren, current step-mother, current step-father, domestic partner, or relatives residing with the employee. Bereavement leave will be paid only with respect to a workday on which the employee would otherwise have worked and shall not apply to an employee's scheduled day off, holidays, vacation or any other day in which the employee would not in any event have worked. Bereavement leave shall be paid for at the employee's regular straight-time hourly rate.

#### **ARTICLE 10 - HOLIDAYS**

10.1 The following shall be recognized as holidays with pay for regular full-time employees who have acquired seniority (for employees hired on or after April 3, 2011, the initial wait for holiday eligibility shall be six consecutive months):

New Year's Day  
Presidents Day (third Monday in February)  
Memorial Day (last Monday in May)  
Independence Day  
Labor Day (first Monday in September)  
Thanksgiving Day  
Christmas Day

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Employees with one (1) year of continuous service with the Employer shall receive three (3) personal days as paid holidays each year to be scheduled as mutually agreed. Employees shall give the Employer thirty (30) days notice prior to the days requested as personal holidays. By mutual agreement between the Employer and employee, the employee may receive payment at the straight-time rate in lieu of such personal holidays in accordance with section 10.2 of Article 10.

For employees hired after April 5, 2014: Employees with one year of continuous service with the Employer shall receive one personal day, two personal days after two years, and three personal days after three years – to be scheduled as mutually agreed.

10.2 Employees, provided they work the hours as specified below, during the week in which the holiday occurs, and report for work their last scheduled working day preceding and their next scheduled working day immediately following the holiday, shall be paid for holidays not worked on the following basis:

<u>Hours Worked in Holiday Week</u>	<u>Hours of Holiday Pay</u>
20 to 31 inclusive	4
32 or more	8

10.3 Employees who qualify for holiday pay as specified in section 10.2 of this Article 10 shall be paid time and one-half (1-1/2) in addition to such holiday pay for work performed on holidays named in section 10.1 of this Article 10. The time and one-half (1-1/2) requirement shall not apply to the "personal days."

10.4 A part-time employee may receive holiday pay if they normally work twenty-four (24) hours in seven (7) of the eight (8) weeks preceding the holiday.

10.5 The requirement to work sometime during the holiday week shall be waived when the involuntary absence is caused by an on-the-job accident or illness that is incurred in the week prior to the holiday week, and is determined to be covered by State Industrial Insurance.

10.6 It is understood and agreed that holidays shall not be considered as days worked for the purpose of computing weekly overtime.

10.7 Work on Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day shall be on a voluntary basis, however, if there are insufficient volunteers, employees shall be scheduled on an inverse seniority basis by store.

## **ARTICLE 11 - VACATION**

11.1 Employees on the first anniversary date of their employment (after the first year of continuous employment) shall be entitled to a vacation with pay at their straight-time hourly rate based upon the number of straight-time hours worked in the preceding twelve (12) months as follows:



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<u>Hours Worked</u>	<u>Hours of Paid Vacation</u>
1000 to 1200	20
1200 to 1600	24
1600 to 2000	32
2000 or more	40

11.2 Employees on the second and each subsequent anniversary date of their employment to the fifth (5th) anniversary date of their employment (after the second and each subsequent year to the fifth (5th) year of continuous employment) shall be entitled to vacation with pay at the hourly rate in effect at the time vacation is paid and based upon the number of hours worked in the preceding twelve (12) months as follows:

<u>Hours Worked</u>	<u>Hours of Paid Vacation</u>
1000 to 1200	40
1200 to 1600	48
1600 to 2000	64
2000 to 2288	80
2288 to 2496	88
2496 or more	96

11.3 Employees on the fifth (5th) and each subsequent anniversary date of their employment to the twelfth (12th) anniversary date of their employment (after the fifth (5th) and each subsequent year to the twelfth (12th) year of continuous employment) shall be entitled to vacation with pay at the hourly rate in effect at the time vacation is paid and based upon the number of hours worked in the preceding twelve (12) months as follows:

<u>Hours Worked</u>	<u>Hours of Paid Vacation</u>
1000 to 1200	60
1200 to 1600	72
1600 to 2000	96
2000 to 2288	120
2288 to 2496	132
2496 or more	144

11.4 Employees on the twelfth (12th) and each subsequent anniversary date of their employment (after the twelfth (12th) and each subsequent year of continuous employment) shall be entitled to vacation with pay at the hourly rate in effect at the time vacation is paid and based upon the number of hours worked in the preceding twelve (12) months as follows:

<u>Hours Worked</u>	<u>Hours of Paid Vacation</u>
1000 to 1200	80
1200 to 1600	96
1600 to 2000	128
2000 to 2288	160
2288 to 2496	176
2496 or more	192

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11.5 Employees who terminate or are terminated (discharge for dishonesty excepted) after the first or any subsequent anniversary date of their employment and prior to their next anniversary date of employment shall be entitled to vacation pay at their straight-time hourly rate based upon the number of straight-time hours worked since the last anniversary date of their employment at the following rates for each full one hundred (100) hours worked:

After the first to the fifth (5th) anniversary date, four (4) hours' vacation pay; after the fifth (5th) to the twelfth (12th) anniversary date, six (6) hours' vacation pay; and after the twelfth (12th) anniversary date, eight (8) hours' vacation pay.

11.6 Vacation may not be waived by employees nor may extra pay be received for work during that period; provided, however, that by prior mutual agreement between the Employer, employee and the Union, this provision may be waived.

11.7 Employees whose vacations are scheduled during a holiday week shall receive holiday pay provided for under the terms of Article 10, section 10.2 of this Agreement in addition to vacation pay.

11.8 It is hereby understood and agreed that in computing Hours of Paid Vacation for full-time employees (employees who regularly appear on the payroll for forty (40) hours or more per week), the terms of Article 11, sections 11.1, 11.2, 11.3 and 11.4 shall be applied so that working time lost up to a maximum of one hundred sixty (160) hours, due to verified cases of sickness or accident, or other absence from work approved by the Employer shall be counted as time worked. In determining the number of hours of paid vacation to which an employee is entitled, there shall be no deduction from his bank of hours due to absence from work because of vacation or holiday time earned and taken under this Agreement.

## **ARTICLE 12 - GENERAL CONDITIONS**

12.1 The Employer shall bear the expense of furnishing and laundering aprons, shop coats and smocks, for all employees under this Agreement. If an Employer requires employees to wear uniforms or other types of apparel, the Employer shall bear the expense of furnishing a minimum of three (3) per employee. Where the apparel is of a drip-dry fabric, the employee shall launder his or her own. Worn or damaged uniforms shall be replaced in a timely manner. The Employer shall bear the expense of sharpening all tools.

12.2 The Employer agrees to display the Union Card of the United Food and Commercial Workers International Union which is the property of the Union and cannot be sold and may be withdrawn for violation of this Agreement. Where no contract is signed, the Union Shop Card shall be considered as this Agreement.

12.3 Members of the Union shall be free to accept employment in any market when it is to their benefit to do so. No one shall be discriminated against for upholding lawful Union principles. No individual agreement may be made between Employer and employee.

12.4 In order that the Business Representative of the Union shall not interfere with the work of the employees, any employee being in arrears in the payment of Union dues shall be required to

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give his consent in writing to the Employer before any of his wages may be turned over to the Union or its officers in payment of such dues.

12.5 The jurisdiction of Local No. 367 covers, on an as-needed basis, the cutting, handling, pricing and sale of all meats, fish, poultry and rabbits in the area covered by this Agreement in either service or self-service markets.

Items currently considered Meat Department items shall continue to be considered Meat Department items, and new items of a like nature, whether fresh, frozen, pre-cut, pre-priced, etc., shall be within the jurisdiction of Local No. 367 as described above, regardless of where they may be offered for sale in the store.

12.6 Employees relieving others for lunch and using their own cars shall be paid at the current local federal car allowance rate.

12.7 Required store meetings shall be paid for at the straight-time hourly rate, and shall be considered time worked for the purpose of computing weekly overtime in accordance with the provisions of the Agreement. Article 2.01, 2.02 and 2.03 shall not apply to this provision.

12.7.1 Employees required to attend such meetings on their day off, or who have been called back after an hour of off-duty time shall receive a minimum of a two (2) hour call-in for such meetings.

12.8 The Employer shall be responsible for payment of all hours worked, and an employee shall only work those hours specifically authorized by the Employer. Accordingly, it is intended that there shall be no free or time-off-the-clock work practices under this Agreement. Any employee found by the Employer or the Union to be engaging in such practice shall be subject to discipline, which may include termination.

12.9 Drug Testing - The Employer may require the employee to submit to a legally recognized drug or alcohol test at the Employer's expense if the Employer has reasonable ground to believe the employee is under the influence of alcohol or drugs. Reasonable grounds will not be required for drug or alcohol testing when an employee suffers an on-the-job injury. An employee who tests positive shall be entitled to have a second test performed using a different disclosure method to verify the accuracy of the test results. Time spent in such testing shall be on Company time; however, any employee refusing to submit to a drug or alcohol test shall be taken off the clock effective with the time of the Employer's request. An employee who refuses to take a drug or alcohol test upon request shall be subject to termination.

### **ARTICLE 13 - SENIORITY, LAYOFFS, AND DISCHARGE**

13.1 Seniority shall prevail in layoffs for all employees after working four hundred thirty-five (435) compensated hours within a one hundred fifty (150) consecutive calendar day period or a consecutive 21 week period. Once an employee has worked four hundred thirty-five (435) compensated hours in one hundred fifty (150) calendar days or 21 weeks, his or her seniority will date back to the date the one hundred fifty (150) calendar days or 21 weeks began. An employee's

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seniority date shall also be considered their anniversary date for all purposes under this Agreement. Each Employer shall have the option, on a company-wide basis, of applying either the 150 consecutive calendar day period or a 21 consecutive week period under this section. The seniority status of employees hired on the same day shall be determined by the Employer with notification to the Union.

13.1.1 In the event of layoff, the last employee hired shall be the first laid off, and the last employee laid off shall be the first rehired, provided that qualifications are equal, that the employee is available, and reports for work within 24 hours following receipt of notification to report for work.

13.1.2 Service Counter employees shall attain seniority after ninety (90) calendar days with the Employer.

13.1.3 Seniority shall be broken and the employee's service shall be terminated for the following reasons:

- a) Voluntary quit.
- b) Discharge in accordance with sections 13.2 and 13.2.1.
- c) Absence caused by a layoff in excess of six (6) months.
- d) Absence caused by an illness or non-occupational injury of more than six (6) months.
- e) Absence caused by an occupational injury of more than eighteen (18) months.
- f) Failure to return from a leave of absence in accordance with Article 14.

13.1.4 There shall be established three (3) separate seniority groups: 1) Journeyperson Meat cutters and Apprentice Meat cutters; 2) Wrappers; 3) Service Counter Employees.

(a) Wrappers desirous of promotion to Apprentice Meat cutter status shall make their desires known to the company, in writing, and such employees shall be given first consideration for such vacancies. Selection to fill the vacancies shall be made on the basis of company seniority within the geographical jurisdiction of the Local Union, ability and qualifications being relatively equal.

(b) A wrapper promoted to Apprentice Meat cutter shall have a ninety (90) day trial period. Said trial period shall not jeopardize the employee's former classification or seniority. There shall be no reduction in pay to any wrapper as a result of promotion to Apprentice Meat cutter, i.e., the Wrapper rate of pay shall apply until such time as the Apprentice rate exceeds the Wrapper rate, at which time the Apprentice rate shall apply.

(c) Service Counter employees desirous of promotion to Wrapper or Apprentice Meat cutter shall make their desires known to the company, in writing, and such employees shall be given first consideration for such vacancies. Selection to fill the vacancies shall be made on the basis of company seniority within the geographical jurisdiction of the Local Union, ability and qualifications being relatively equal.

(d) A Service Counter employee promoted to Wrapper or Apprentice Meat cutter shall have a ninety (90) day trial period. Said trial period shall not jeopardize the employee's former classification or seniority. There shall be no reduction in pay to any service Counter employee as

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a result of promotion to Wrapper, or Apprentice Meat cutter, i.e., the Service Counter employee rate of pay shall apply until such time as the Wrapper/Apprentice rate exceeds the Service Counter rate, at which time the Apprentice rate shall apply.

(e) When a Wrapper is promoted to an Apprentice Meat cutter and/or a Service Counter employee is promoted to a Wrapper, the length of service as a Wrapper and/or Service Counter employee shall be counted in their seniority.

13.1.5 Journeymen promoted to Head Meat Cutter shall not lose their seniority status. Seniority shall not apply in the selection of Head Meat Cutter.

13.1.6 For the purpose of the above paragraphs of this section seniority shall prevail on a Company-wide basis or a Company-district basis within the jurisdiction of this Agreement; except as provided in section 13.3; provided where an employee is transferred, the transferred employee shall retain all seniority rights with the Employer but shall not be entitled to exercise such rights until the expiration of six (6) months after the date of transfer, at which time his or her seniority shall be based upon the original seniority date with the Employer, regardless of area. However, during such period of six (6) months the transferred employee shall accrue seniority rights in the new area from the date of transfer and shall retain all seniority rights in the area from which he or she was transferred. Such transfers shall be by mutual agreement between the Employer and employee. The affected Local Unions shall be notified of such transfers.

13.1.6.1 If the transferred employee is laid off in the new area (prior to the six (6) month period) he or she shall have the option of either remaining on layoff in the new area or returning to original area in accordance with his or her seniority. The option to return to the original area must be exercised, in writing to the Employer, within two (2) weeks of layoff in the new area or this option is waived and no longer applicable. A reduction of weekly hours shall not be considered a layoff.

13.1.6.2 If the transferred employee has acquired seniority in the new area, is laid off (prior to the six (6) month period) and returns to the original area, his or her seniority in the new area shall not apply until recalled.

13.1.6.3 If the transferred employee is recalled to the new area, he or she shall then have the option of returning to the new area or remaining in the original area; provided:

(1) If the employee chooses not to accept recall to the new area, all seniority rights in that area are forfeited.

(2) If the employee chooses to accept recall to the new area, the total accumulated time since the original transfer date shall apply to the six (6) month period.

13.1.6.4 Once the six (6) month period is completed, in accordance with the above, the employee shall be considered transferred and shall have no rights to return to the original area.

13.2 The Employer reserves the right to discharge or discipline any person for just cause.

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13.2.1 After an employee has been continuously employed for a period of three (3) months, the Employer shall give the employee one (1) written warning, with a copy to the Union, prior to discharge, except in cases of discharge for drunkenness, dishonesty or other just cause. A warning notice shall not remain in effect for a period of more than six (6) months.

13.2.2 In order for the Employer to have ample time in which to properly evaluate the performance of an employee, it is hereby agreed that the Employer has ninety (90) calendar days after the initial date of employment in which to evaluate that employee for continued employment. Within said ninety (90) calendar day period, the Employer may terminate the employee without recourse from the Union. This ninety (90) day period shall be extended by the amount of time the employee is absent from or unavailable for work due to medical reasons during the probationary period. The Employer must notify both the employee and the Union in writing, prior to the completion of the probationary period, of their intent to extend the probationary period.

13.3 Seniority for Service Counter employees shall be applied on an individual store basis, (it was agreed that scheduling of hours would continue in same manner except on an individual store basis), provided further, where, on an individual store basis, there is a reduction in the number of employees who hold seniority within the Service Counter employee classification, the affected employee so reduced may displace the most junior employee of the Employer in the same classification within the geographical jurisdiction covered by this Agreement, provided qualifications and ability are equal. A layoff is defined as two consecutive weeks that an employee is not shown on the weekly work schedule. In the event of a store closure, the affected employees shall be considered laid off at the time of the closure.

13.4 Employees laid off in one seniority group shall be given the opportunity to accept a permanent vacancy in a lower seniority group before hiring a new employee for such vacancy.

13.4.1 If the laid off employee accepts the vacancy, he shall be considered as a new employee in such seniority group including probationary period, seniority, and wages, but shall retain his seniority in the seniority group from which he was laid off for six (6) months as provided in Section 11.3.1. The laid off employees shall retain their length of service with the company for purposes of vacations, sick leave, leave of absence, and jury duty. If the laid off employee remains in the new seniority group for six (6) months, he shall then retain his original seniority date.

13.4.2 If the laid off employee is recalled to a permanent vacancy in the seniority group from which he was laid off, he shall have the option of returning to his original seniority group, at which time he shall relinquish all seniority rights in the new seniority group or remain in the new seniority group, at which time he shall relinquish all seniority rights in the original seniority group.

#### **ARTICLE 14 - LEAVE OF ABSENCE**

14.1 Regular employees with one (1) year or more of continuous service shall be entitled to a leave of absence without pay for the following bona fide reasons:

14.1.1 Illness or non-occupational injury which requires absence from work;

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14.1.2 Pregnancy; and,

14.1.3 Serious illness or injury in the employee's immediate family.

14.1.4 When one of the reasons above is given for the requested leave of absence, the employee will, upon request from the Employer, provide the Employer with a doctor's verification.

14.2 Leaves for personal reasons may be granted by agreement between the Union, the Employer and the employee regardless of length of service.

14.2.1 Union stewards may be granted up to two (2) unpaid days off per calendar year to attend Union functions. Only one (1) shop steward per store location may be granted this time off.

14.2.2 Upon request of the Union, leaves of absence without pay for Union business not to exceed nine (9) months may be granted by the Employer to employees regardless of length of service.

14.3 Any request for a leave of absence under the terms of sections 14.1 and 14.2 shall be in writing and state the following information:

14.3.1 Reason for such request;

14.3.2 Date leave is to begin; and

14.3.3 Date of return to work.

14.4 Any leave of absence with the exception of section 14.1.3 may run to a maximum of six (6) months.

14.5 Leaves due to occupational injuries shall be granted for a period of time up to eighteen (18) months.

14.6 The employee must be able to resume his regular duties upon return to work from an approved leave of absence.

14.6.1 A doctor's certificate verifying that the employee is able to resume his normal duties must be furnished if requested by the Employer.

14.7 Any employee who fails to return to work at the end of a leave of absence shall lose his or her seniority.

14.8 The Employer shall give to the employee, with a copy to the Union, a letter stating all of the conditions agreed upon for such leave of absence.

## **ARTICLE 15 - GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE**

15.1 All matters pertaining to the proper application and interpretation of any and all of the provisions of this Agreement, shall be adjusted by the accredited representative of Allied Employers, Inc., and the accredited representative of the Union. In the event of the failure of these parties to reach a satisfactory adjustment within fifteen (15) calendar days, the matter shall be referred for final adjustment to a Labor Relations Committee selected as follows: Two (2) members from the Employers and two (2) members from the Union, and the decision of this Committee shall be final and binding. In the event the Labor Relations Committee fails to reach an agreement within fifteen (15) calendar days, the moving party must, within seven (7) days thereafter, refer the grievance to arbitration by written notice to the other party.

When selecting an arbitrator, the parties shall take turns striking names off the list of the following permanent panel:

1. Gary L. Axon
2. Michael E. Cavanaugh
3. Joseph W. Duffy
4. Martin Henner
5. Alan Krebs
6. Howell Lankford
7. Tom Levak
8. Ron Miller
9. James Paulson
10. Shelly Shapiro
11. Kathryn T. Whalen
12. Jane R. Wilkinson
13. Timothy D.W. Williams

The arbitrator's Decision and Award shall be final and binding upon both parties to this Agreement and shall be rendered within thirty (30) days from the close of the arbitration hearing or the arbitrator's receipt of the post-hearing briefs, whichever is later. If the arbitrator does not render his decision within said thirty (30) days, neither party will be required to compensate the arbitrator. Payment of the arbitrator's fee shall be borne by the losing party. The parties agree that the arbitrator has the authority to determine appropriate proration of this cost in the event of a split decision and award. The arbitrator should be made aware of the requirements of this provision at the time of selection. The Labor Relations Committee as thus constituted shall have no power to add to, subtract from or change or modify any provisions of this Agreement, but shall be authorized only to interpret existing provisions of this Agreement as they apply to the specific facts of the issue in dispute.

15.1.1 In cases where it is concluded that an employee has been improperly discharged, the arbitrator may reinstate the improperly discharged employee. The arbitrator may not render an award which requires the employer to pay an improperly discharged or suspended employee for time that the employee has not actually worked in excess of the wage and benefits the employee would have earned had he worked his normal schedule during the one hundred and eighty (180) calendar days immediately following the date of discharge or suspension.



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The Parties confirm that the above is a hard cap with no exceptions.

15.2 No grievance or claim of violation of this Agreement shall be recognized unless presented in writing within thirty (30) days of the date of the occurrence causing the complaint or grievance, except in case of discharge which must be presented within fifteen (15) days; otherwise the right of protest shall be deemed to have been waived. During the process of making adjustment under the rule and procedure set forth in paragraph 15.1 above, no strike or lockout shall occur. In the event the claim is one for additional wages, any such claim shall be limited to additional wages, if any, accruing within the ninety (90) day period immediately preceding the date upon which the Employer received notice in writing of the claim.

15.3 The payment of any wages computed at a lower rate than herein provided shall constitute a violation of this Agreement, as will any agreement or release or waiver contravening the spirit and condition of this Agreement. However, no claim arising under this Agreement shall be recognized unless presented in writing to the Employer or his representative within thirty (30) days of its first occurrence.

15.4 The Union agrees that should it enter into any agreement with an individual Employer or group of Employers to provide wages or working conditions more favorable to the Employer than are included in this Agreement, such more favorable wages and working conditions shall automatically be included in this Agreement.

#### **ARTICLE 16 - SEPARABILITY**

16.1 If any Article or section of this Agreement should be held invalid by operation of law or by any tribunal of competent jurisdiction, the balance of this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect. The Article or section held invalid shall upon a sixty (60) day written notice by either party, be renegotiated for the purpose of an adequate replacement.

#### **ARTICLE 17 - NON-DISCRIMINATION**

17.1 The parties to this Agreement acknowledge their responsibilities under Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and do hereby agree not to discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, honorably discharged veteran or military status, sexual orientation, or the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability.

17.2 Where the masculine or feminine gender has been used in any provision of this Agreement, it is used solely for the purpose of illustration and shall not in any way be used to designate the sex of the employee eligible for the position or the benefits of any other provisions.

#### **ARTICLE 18 - WORKPLACE SAFETY**

18.1 Safety Committees will be held in accordance with applicable laws. Upon request, the Employer will notify the Union when the Safety Committee will meet. Minutes of the Safety Committee meetings will be posted or made otherwise available for review.

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18.2 In addition to the store level safety committees, the Employer and the Unions will jointly set up a Master Safety Committee, made up of (2) members from each Union (UFCW Local 21, UFCW Local 367, and Teamsters Local 38), and up to an equal number of members from the Company. If necessary to address certain issues at a workplace either party may invite guests, with prior approval of the committee.

The Master Safety Committee will meet periodically, and no less frequently than once per quarter, to review workplace safety matters. The parties will discuss and work toward resolving safety issues in the workplaces.

In addition, the Company and the Union agree that they will continue to discuss and jointly address safety related issues and/or questions about the Company’s safety program in good faith.

18.3 The Company agrees that it shall provide safety training in accordance with the law and its policies as necessary. In addition, the store safety committees may recommend training subjects and those recommendations will be considered and acted upon by the Master Safety Committee.

18.4 The parties agree that no party shall retaliate against any employee for bringing forward safety issues.

18.5 Nothing in this article shall be interpreted to diminish the Employer’s rights/obligations or employees’ rights/obligations under applicable laws or current Company practices and policies.

18.6 The Company and Union agree that the Employer is responsible for maintaining a sound safety program and its employees are responsible for adhering to the safety program.

**ARTICLE 19 - DURATION OF AGREEMENT**

19.1 This Agreement shall be in full force and effect from and after April 12, 2020 through April 8, 2023, at which time it shall be automatically renewed for a period of one (1) year from said date, and thereafter for each year upon each anniversary of said date without further notice; provided, however, that either party may open this Agreement for the purpose of discussing a revision no later than sixty (60) days prior to said expiration date of each anniversary thereof upon written notice being served upon either party by the other.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we attach our signatures:

ALLIED EMPLOYERS, INC.,  
For and on behalf of  
SAFEWAY INC.

UNITED FOOD & COMMERCIALWORKERS  
UNION LOCAL NO. 367

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**LETTER OF AGREEMENT #1**  
**CORPORATE CAMPAIGN**

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This Letter Agreement is by and between Allied Employers, Inc., on behalf of its members and UFCW Union Local #367 and it should be considered as incorporated by reference as part of the Collective Bargaining Agreement. The Agreement is as follows:

The Employer signatory hereto and the UFCW Locals, during the negotiations for the Clerks and Meat Cutters Agreement in Puget Sound, believe they have a good faith working relationship and will not take any action to depart from that relationship or take any action inconsistent with maintaining that relationship. Consistent with its duty of fair representation under the Agreements and their grievance procedures, UFCW Local #367 will not be a party to, instigate or support class action litigation (except charges with the National Labor Relations Board) or engage in any type of corporate campaign against any involved Employer.

It is also recognized that various monies from the Local Unions are paid to UFCW International Union funds. The Local does not control such funds. Consequently, the UFCW International Union's use of those funds for purposes contrary to this Agreement will not be a violation of this Agreement.

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**LETTER OF AGREEMENT #2**  
**FAVORED NATIONS**

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This Letter Agreement is by and between Allied Employers, Inc., on behalf of its members and UFCW Union Local #367 and it should be considered as incorporated by reference as part of the Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Should the Union at any time after the date of this Agreement enter into a renewal agreement, or any extension thereof, covering any grocery store(s) within the geographic area covered by this Agreement based upon a settlement of new terms negotiated after the date of this Agreement which are more advantageous to such grocery store(s), the Employer party to this Agreement shall be privileged to adopt any such settlement into its entirety, provided the Employer has sent written notice to the Union calling the matter to its attention. (N/A to new store openings.)

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**LETTER OF AGREEMENT #3**  
**DUES CHECK-OFF**

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1. Add initiation and uniform dues through payroll deduction as follows:
  - a. **Union Dues Check-Off:** On a weekly basis the Employer agrees to deduct uniform dues and initiation fees from the paycheck of those covered employees whose individual written unrevoked authorizations are on file with the Employer and to transmit the amounts so deducted to the Union month. Said deduction authorizations shall be in such form as to conform with Section 302(c) of the Labor Management Relations Act of 1947.
  - b. Authorized initiation fees will be deducted in three (3) equal installments and remitted to the Local Union monthly.
  - c. It is understood the Employer is not liable in any manner if the employee is not on the payroll at the time deductions are being processed.
  - d. **Indemnify and Hold Harmless:** The Union shall indemnify and hold the Company harmless against any and all claims, demands, suits or other forms of liability that shall arise out of or by reason of action taken or not taken by the Company in reliance upon signed authorization cards furnished to the Company by the Union or for the purpose of complying with any of the provisions of this Article.
2. The involved Employers shall be granted a reasonable period to adopt administrative and payroll procedures to accommodate this agreement.
3. Active Ballot Club: For employees who voluntarily authorize a contribution to the UFCW Active Ballot Club political action committee, the Employer agrees to deduct the authorized amount each payroll period on a payroll deduction basis and forward same to the Union monthly.

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**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #1**  
**DOCTOR'S NOTES**

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It is agreed that the Employer will not automatically require doctor's notes when employees call in sick.

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**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #2  
SCHEDULING**

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This Agreement is to confirm the resolution of a dispute that has arisen between UFCW Local 81 and Fred Meyer, Inc., over the proper method of scheduling meat cutters and meat wrappers. The dispute concerned the proper application of three prior unpublished arbitration awards: *Food Industry, Inc. and A.M.C. Local 81* (Peck, 1966), *Allied Employers, Inc. and A.M.C. Local 81* (Gillingham, 1970), and *Olson’s Foods, Inc. and UFCW Local 44* (Tinning, 1995). The parties agree to resolve their dispute as follows:

The Employers agree that the Tinning decision is null and void and that Meat scheduling must be carried out according to the Peck and Gillingham decisions (daily seniority) as per the practice in the industry over the last three decades. In consideration for that agreement, the Unions agree that the Employer may schedule Meat department employees for forty hours per week Sunday through Saturday (instead of Monday through Saturday).

Because the involved language is identical to language in several other labor agreements in Western Washington, and given that the parties to those agreements agree that this is a fair and proper resolution of the dispute, it is the intent of all parties below that this Agreement shall apply to each of the labor agreements listed in Attachment A.

AGREED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2001.

UNITED FOOD AND COMMERCIAL  
WORKERS UNION LOCAL 81

BY (s) Michael J. Williams

UNITED FOOD AND COMMERCIAL  
WORKERS UNION LOCAL 367

BY (s) Teresa M. Iverson

UNITED FOOD AND COMMERCIAL  
WORKERS UNION LOCAL 44

BY (s) Michael P. Hatfield

ALLIED EMPLOYERS, INC.

*For and on behalf of:*

Albertson’s, Inc.

Brown & Cole Stores

Everybodys

Fred Meyer, Inc.

Fullers

Haggen, Inc.

KKLD, Inc.

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Safeway Inc.

Stormans, Inc.

Swanson Foods, Inc.

BY (s) Randall L. Zeiler

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**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #3**  
**SCHEDULED DAYS OFF**

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When an employee requests a day off in advance of the schedule being written and the request is granted, the Employer will endeavor to work with the employee so that there is not a reduction in hours because of the request. (This LU shall not be subject to the grievance procedure.)



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**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #4**  
**GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE**

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All parties would benefit from a dispute resolution procedure that is both more timely and more efficient. To that end, the parties agree to the following:

1. All disputes that are resolved at the store level (whether a formal grievance has been filed or not) shall be on a non-precedent basis (unless otherwise expressly stated in writing) and shall not be used by any party in any other situation or procedure regarding another employee or union agent and any manager or supervisor at the store or regional level.
2. The parties should strive to share factual details regarding a grievance (or pre-grievance issue) as early as possible in the process. The filing party should provide as much detail as possible in the original grievance or soon thereafter. The responding party should provide as much detail as possible with its response. This will allow both parties to more effectively investigate and assess the grievance and hopefully resolve the matter short of needing an in-person grievance meeting.
3. Written warnings need not be processed beyond the union filing a grievance in order to preserve the union's right to challenge the warning if it is used as progressive discipline in the future.

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**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #5  
OPTIONAL VOLUNTARY BUYOUT**

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The parties agree that the Employer may offer voluntary buyout opportunities to employees at any time(s) during the term of this agreement. In the event such voluntary buyouts are offered during the term of this agreement, the Company agrees to provide advance notice to the Union concerning the buyout components, the terms of the offer(s), and the timing of any offering(s), and to allow the Union to attend employee meetings regarding this issue.

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**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #6**  
**SAFEWAY SEAFOOD DEPARTMENT MANAGERS**

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This is to confirm our understanding and agreement on how the wage increases for Safeway Seafood Department Managers will be handled under our contract settlement.

For the April 2020, 2021, and 2022 wage increases, Safeway agrees to the following for Seafood Department Managers covered by the agreement: These employees shall receive either a \$0.60 cent per hour wage increase or, if not entitled to a \$0.60 cent per hour wage increase under the Company's matrix formula, the employee will receive a lump sum bonus payment of \$0.60 cents per hour which shall be calculated based on all hours compensated in the twelve months prior to payment. If such an employee receives less than a \$0.60 cent per hour increase under the matrix, the amount of the lump sum bonus shall be the amount of cents per hour which makes up the difference between the wage increase and \$0.60 cents. For example, if in April 2020 an employee receives a wage increase of \$0.30 cents per hour under the matrix, they will also receive an additional lump sum bonus of \$0.30 cents per hour.

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**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #7**  
**SCHEDULING PRACTICES**

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Safeway agrees to post a work schedule not later than 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday preceding the start of the workweek.

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**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #8**  
**INVESTMENT IN WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT WETRRAIN NON-PROFIT**

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The employers and unions agree to a Joint Committee on Workforce Development.

The employer and unions will utilize the committee as described below:

1. The Joint Committee will work towards the establishment of a training program to meet the needs of future staffing.
2. The committee will have an equal number of union and employer representatives.
3. Joint Committee will meet quarterly.
4. The Joint Committee will seek new funding streams.
5. All members of the Joint Committee will cooperate in order to meet requirements of grants, when reasonable and it makes business sense to do so.
6. Each signatory employer will contribute to the WeTrain program \$500 per graduated worker who either (1) gets pre-approval from the employer to take the training and works for the employer at the time of graduation; or (2) are hired by the employer within 6 months of graduation, provided the employee provides notice of the graduation prior to being hired. This amount will be paid in aggregate for all employers up to \$300,000, matching a one-time seed contribution from UFCW 21 of \$300,000 and \$9,500 from Teamsters 38.
7. The bargaining parties agree to allow the joint committee to address future funding needs during the term of this agreement.

Nothing herein is intended to diminish work preservation rights the unions have under existing contractual provisions or law.

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**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #9**  
**BENEFITS FOR WORKERS WITH DISABILITIES**

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For employees with disabilities who are also covered by Medicaid/SSI Disability (definition as determined by the trustees) and restricted by Medicaid/SSI (definition as determined by the trustees) rules in their ability to work enough hours to qualify for life insurance or vacation pay under the normal contract rules, the parties agree to the following provisions that will only apply to these employees:

1. The Parties agree to request that the Trustees of the Sound H&W Trust Fund develop rules which will result in these employees being eligible for a life insurance benefit similar to that offered to other qualified participants of the Fund, and;
2. The Employers agree that for any of these employees who work less than the annual hours required hours to earn a normal vacation benefit under the contract (currently less than 800 hours per year), the Employer shall pay pro-rated vacation pay to these employees based on the yearly schedule outlined in the contract and based on the actual number of hours worked in the prior anniversary year, divided by 2080 hours. (For example, an employee who only works 700 hours in their anniversary year and would otherwise not be eligible for vacation pay, would be paid 13.46 hours per week of vacation earned.)

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**LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING #10**  
**JOINT LABOR MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES**

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Electronic Schedules: The parties agree to establish a Joint-Labor Management Committee to consider the Union’s proposal regarding the providing of electronic schedules.

New Hire Orientation: The parties agree to establish a Joint Labor-Management Committee to consider the Union’s proposal regarding new employees orientation if Right to Work is passed.

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The Parties hereby agree to the following Letter of Agreements and Letters of Understanding:

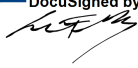
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FOR SAFEWAY INC.

UNITED FOOD & COMMERCIAL  
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