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Brothers and Sisters,

As the wildfires spread across Southern California, we find ourselves facing not just the challenges of our workloads, but also the hazardous air quality that accompanies such disasters. It's a testament to our resilience and dedication that we continue to move the world's cargo, even under these difficult circumstances.

However, your health and safety are paramount. Please take a moment to prioritize your well-being; make sure to communicate with the Foreman to ask management about the necessary breaks and personal protective equipment (PPE), especially masks, that can help you breathe easier in the smokey air. Staying hydrated is critical, as our bodies need support to cope with the added strain of working in these conditions.

I encourage you to stay informed about the air quality by downloading the South Coast AQMD mobile app <https://www.aqmd.gov/home/air-quality/air-alerts>

Your hard work and commitment to moving the world's cargo for our communities and country are truly appreciated.

In solidarity, stay safe and ILWU strong!

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