

Black Schroeder –

We have just completed the procedures for Williams' Atlantic Sunrise Project in Houston and Conroe, TX. Hopefully, they will get to start in October. This project goes across the state of Pennsylvania. Welded Construction will use the Serimax system, and Latex Construction will use the RMS system.

A lot of large projects are going out for bid in Texas to be constructed in the next couple of years ranging from 100 to 400-mile projects. We are still facing the same problems from the "abundance of cheap labor." If the welders and helpers continue to work for nothing in the South, they will wake up one day and find out they have the same thing they have been working for - *NOTHING*.

I have recently received calls about some of our older members out working for non-union contractors, and some of the new members leaving union jobs and going to work for the non-union. We have over 7,000 Helper applicants on our list and several thousand Welders and Journeymen who would love the opportunity to become a member of this great organization. It is sad to see members of Local 798 or any other local union sell their skill set for substandard wages and working conditions. We don't call the unorganized workers RATS. A rat is a member of any local union working for a non-signatory contractor for less than was negotiated for him or her. If you are not a proud member of Local Union 798, or you don't want to be part of this Brotherhood that makes a decent wage, with a great pension, health care, and working conditions, **mail your Union card with a resignation letter to: Pipeliners Local Union 798, 4823 S. 83rd E. Ave., Tulsa, OK, 74147.**

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the regional meeting on September 17 at Lincoln Electric's headquarters in Euclid, OH. Everyone in the area should try to attend this event, because Lincoln Electric and Local 798 have gone all out for this meeting. It will be very educational and informative.

If I can be of assistance to anyone please don't hesitate to contact me.

Pre-Jobs:

Latex Construction:

Conroe, TX. RMS Shop. Run 42" welding procedures for Williams Gas, Atlantic Sunrise Project. Welder Foreman: Sonny Daniell. Steward: Richie Hayes. Started 7-31-17. Job is complete.

Welded Construction:

Houston, TX. Serimax North America. Run 42" welding procedures for Williams Gas, Atlantic Sunrise Project. Welder Foreman: Rod Kelly. Steward: Morris Fontenot. Started 7-7-17. Job is complete.