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I am writing this report after returning from Florida. These past couple of months have been spent traveling around, meeting and greeting people, and exploring all the job opportunities that are coming up for bid in the South.

Unfortunately, during these travels I have found several union hands on non-union jobs. This is completely UNEXCEPTABLE! When you sign up with this Local, you agree to a way of life that is held to very high standards, a work ethic second to none, and loyalty to your fellow Brothers and Sisters of this Local. WORKING RAT destroys everything our Local stands for and will NOT be tolerated. To those welders that had the sense to roll up and walk away, that was your only warning. To those that haven't been caught yet, your time is coming.

On a more positive note, I have enjoyed receiving phone calls from members letting me know about what's going on in their area. The more informed I am, the better job I can do for you. I will gladly chase down any lead that might result in more union work in the South. Also, we are looking at another record breaking year. So, if you have friends or relatives with the mind and skill set to become members, let me know and I'll do what I can to lead them in the right direction.

If you have not already made plans to attend this year's Steward School, get those reservations now. It is the best chance for you to participate, learn important working details of this profession, and make valuable job contacts. To all of our new members: 798 is a family and is family oriented. Make plans to bring your family with you. There will be activities for them while you are attending the school. I look forward to seeing you and your family there.

In closing, remember that I am here to serve you, so do not hesitate to call. God bless each one of you, and God bless this great Local.

Pre-Jobs:

Price Gregory:

-Ocala, FL. Heater relocation. Gas Company: Sabal Trail Transmission, LLC.
Superintendent: Terry McDaniels. Welder Foreman: Billy Burns. Approx. completion 2-08-18.