

Intalco - Significant Events

- January 2001—Intalco long term 20 power contract comes to an end in the midst of the Northwest power crises.
- April 10, 2001—Intalco employees told plant would close October 1st unless public pressure could persuade BPA not to raise rates after Sept. 30th.
- April 21, 2001—1400 Alcoa Intalco supporters meet at Mt. Baker Theater to rally and plan to save jobs at the plant.
- May 17, 2001—Alcoa announces a complete curtailment of Intalco but BPA agrees to a plan to keep workers paid during the shutdown.
- May 2002—Restart of two potlines begins.
- April 2003—400 union workers and county officials rally in Olympia and BPA Headquarters.
- October 2003—Union agrees to a one year contract extension with concessions.
- June 2003—First Trade Act signed
- March 20, 2004 – Governor Gary Locke signs a tax incentive bill to help keep the plant viable.
- October 2004—Union reaches agreement with Alcoa for a 4 year contract with concessions.
- June 2006—Company and union agree to a 3 year contract extension, makes plans to restart A-Line.
- February – 2006 Tax Incentive Extended (2007-2011)
- September 2006 – Bus trip/rally in Portland
- January 2007—A-Line restarted. 150 employees hired.
- March 2007 – IAM Washington State Council – Olympia (5 hourly EE’s lobbying)
- March 2007 – Intalco receives the Alcoa North America “Impact Award” for Public Strategy and Grassroots Campaign
- May – 2008 IAM Legislative conference in DC, lobbying elected officials with support from IAM&AW Headquarters
- 2008 – Tops in the district for Machinists Non-Partisan Political League (MNPL)
- January 2009 – Meeting with State Legislators and Department of Energy (DOE)
- February 2009 - Second Trade Act Application Successful
- Union requested a third party come in to deal with workers stress issues (Sylvia Thorpe)
- April 2009 – Lobbying in DC w/ Bruce Olsson (IAM Assistant Legislative Director)
- April 2009 - Tax Incentive Extended (2001-2016)
- June 2009 – Employees, Community and Elected officials letter writing campaign to BPA
- June 2009 - International Union support around power issues – Kevin Cummings (Western Territory Grand Lodge Representative), Matt Mckinnon (International Legislative Director), Gary Allen (Western Territory GVP), Bruce Olsson (Assistant Legislative Director)
- October – 2009 Meeting with Deputy Secretary Poneman of the DOE
- December 2009 —Steve Wright signs BPA contract at Intalco, the Governor and many elected officials attended with a couple hundred of our employees.
- August 2010 – Senator Patty Murray visits Intalco
- September – 2010 Congressman Rick Larson visits Intalco
- October 2010 – Group of 4 sent to Placid Harbor for HPWO training