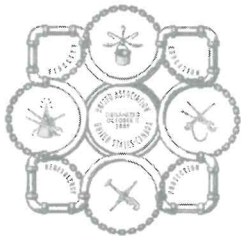




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To all affected parties,

Most of you have heard by now that JARTS officially closed their doors as of December 21, 2018. It is a sad day for the industry, but it is not because of some vast conspiracy to put them out of business as stated in the latest letter from JARTS. The leadership, members, and signatory contractors of UA Local 516 were truly hoping that JARTS and Mr. Seder would find a new location and continue the tradition of excellent HVAC/R training that JARTS had provided for many years. It is unfortunate that when the monies specifically designed for extra training of UA 516 members was asked to be accounted for, Mr. Seder took an adversarial approach and refused to provide an answer.

On a go forward basis, it is our commitment to our apprentices and our industry to ensure the highest quality of training combined with full accountability.

We have completed our due diligence, and the new not-for-profit school, RTI, will be up and running as soon as possible. Due to our lease agreement with JARTS, the soonest we may begin classes at RTI is March 14, 2019. We are working with our legal counsel to see if it is possible to expedite this date.

We will be setting up a registry for our contractors and their apprentices shortly. We will be reaching out to all of you once the registry is ready to go.

Thank you for your patience.

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