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## **WRITERS GUILD OF AMERICA, EAST AND WRITERS GUILD OF AMERICA, WEST RATIFY NEW COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT WITH CBS NEWS**

The Writers Guild of America, East and the Writers Guild of America, West have negotiated a new three-year agreement with CBS News, covering approximately 325 newswriters, writer-producers, graphic artists, editors, desk assistants, promotion writer/producers, assistant producers and production assistants in New York, Chicago and Los Angeles. The agreement will be effective from April 6, 2013, through April 5, 2016; it replaces the previous three-year agreement which expired on April 5, 2013.

Under the terms of the agreement, wage scales will increase by two percent per year, and employer contributions to the Producer-Writers Guild of America Pension Plan will increase. For temporary employees, these contributions will be paid for by increasing the temp override, so temp employees will not be paying for the increases out of their salaries. There are also increases in Contract Producer minimum salaries and Acting Editor fees. There are no concessions on the part of the union in the agreement.

Members of the WGAE and the WGAW working under this collective bargaining agreement ratified the terms by a vote of 159 to 31.