

Docker strike hits petroleum giant



GMB union has today announced that workers at Immingham based petroleum contractor Briggs Marine will take strike action next week.

The industrial action will begin on Monday 9 March with nearly fifty workers expected to take part.

The dispute comes after company bosses were accused of dismissing employees outside of due process, with the union labelling the process 'a disgrace.'

Workers at the Briggs Marine site at Immingham Docks operate one of the UK's largest petroleum product terminals, handling imports and exports of vital fuels from across the world.

Andy Groves, GMB Organiser, said:

"Briggs Marine bosses have been playing fast and loose with our members jobs for too long.



“The UK needs its petrochemical workers now more than ever, for this company to dismiss workers without any due process is a disgrace.

“These workers handle some of the most important petrochemical products, from aviation fuel to the essential products required by UK industry.

“The company is citing financial motivations as the driving force behind its decisions, but giant Ministry of Defence contracts and an upsurge in demand point to this being about taking on these workers and their Union.

“Company top brass need to participate in the resolution to these issues, get round the table and treat these workers with respect - and quickly!”

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