

First NAFTA - Now CAFTA

In recent months it has become even more apparent to Michigan working families that NAFTA (North American Free Trade Agreement) has primarily benefited corporations and investors. Many factories have laid off workers, others have forced employees into a reduction of wages, while others have shipped their jobs to Canada or Mexico. In the case of the Electrolux plant in Greenville, this could mean an initial 2,700 jobs lost, plus countless others to follow that depended on the income of families in that area.

Taking Action:

Lobbying Congress: download the petition at

http://www.griid.org/progressivedirectory/documents/Stop_CAFTA.pdf

Educate:

Anti-CAFTA Resources at Media Mouse

http://www.mediamouse.org/corporate/congress_to_debate_cafta_this_spring.php

- **Get a City Resolution passed against CAFTA**
- **Challenge corporate charters**
<http://www.poclad.org/>
- **Build Solidarity with workers here and abroad**



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Local Jobs lost to NAFTA

 **Electrolux** 2,700



300



600



300+

Batts/Zeeland 545

Johnson Controls 885

H. H. Cutler 283

Baker Furniture 166

Tecumseh Metal 100

Cambridge Industries 200

Target Components 130

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