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Brad Markell is an International Representative in the UAW Research Department. His assignments include helping develop and advance the union's position on energy and environmental policy.

Mr. Markell began his career as an assembler at General Motor's Willow Run Assembly plant and was appointed to the staff of the UAW in 1998 by then-President Stephen P. Yokich. Since then he has participated in several rounds of national bargaining in the automotive, aerospace, heavy truck and supplier sectors.

Mr. Markell has been directly involved in the UAW's efforts to promote the domestic engineering and manufacturing of advanced technology vehicles and their key components. He has also worked on behalf of the UAW to support the Obama administration's efforts for a single national standard for tailpipe emissions, including the landmark May 2009 agreement.

Mr. Markell was appointed by Governor Granholm to the Michigan Climate Action Council in 2007. He participates on behalf of the UAW at the Cornell Labor Leader's Climate Forum and in support of the Apollo Alliance's work to revitalize the U.S. manufacturing sector.

A lifelong Michigan resident, Mr. Markell has degrees from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor and Wayne State. He joined the UAW in 1976 and is a member of UAW Local 14 in Toledo, Ohio.