WASHINGTON, DC â€“ Congressman Joe Courtney joined the members and leadership of the International Association of Machinists (IAM) today in East Hartford today to applaud the U.S. District Court's order sustaining the employees' lawsuit that asserted Pratt and Whitney violated its labor agreement with IAM when it decided to close the Cheshire and East Hartford CARO plants last July, which would impact nearly 1,000 jobs across the state.