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TO: Local Executives
National Executive
National and Regional E.O. Representatives

RE: **Collective Bargaining - Technical Services Bargaining Unit (TC) - Dispute Resolution**

The delegates attending the Twelfth Triennial National Convention adopted the following resolution (Collective Bargaining Resolution No. 83):

Be It Resolved that UEW petitions the members of Table 3 two years prior to the end of this upcoming contract in order to see which bargaining route members desire for the next round of negotiations.

The TC collective agreement was signed on November 27, 2009 and will expire on June 21, 2011. Any change in the dispute settlement route must be determined **prior** to negotiations.

With the resolution noted above, UEW Convention delegates are requesting that the membership be provided with an opportunity to choose which dispute settlement route is preferable for the next round of negotiations; i.e., *arbitration vs conciliation with the right to strike*. As such, we are requesting that all Locals with TC members petition those members in an effort to determine what route of dispute resolution they would prefer to have in place for the next round of negotiations.

In accordance with PSAC Constitution, Schedule "A", Regulation 15....

For those bargaining units falling under the Public Service Labour Relations Act, the following shall apply

- **A dispute settlement vote shall be taken when there has been a request by 10% or more of members in the coalition/unit or when the National Board of Directors so directs...**
- **The dispute settlement route shall be changed as a result of a majority of returned ballots, excluding spoiled ballots, or by a decision of the NBOD.**

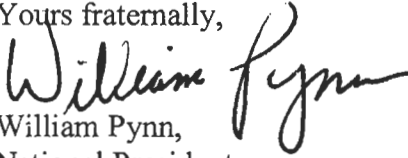


Please ensure that input is received in the national office by **January 22, 2010.**

The attached petition is an example of one that Locals may use to assist them. However, Locals are free to adopt any process they deem appropriate to survey their membership to seek the requested information as long as the relevant information is provided; i.e., Name, PSAC ID Number, and Signature.

If you have any questions relating to the above, do not hesitate to communicate with the national office.

Yours fraternally,



William Pynn,
National President,
Union of Environment Workers

cc National Board of Directors
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