



Five Days, Thirteen Locals, One Union



On March 17, 2006 the Canadian Industrial Relations Board (CIRB) declared that Global is a single employer and gave the Company and the Union ninety days to resolve the structure of the bargaining unit.

In a strong and continuing show of solidarity, the delegates to the Global Advisory Council (GAC) unanimously agreed to pursue a common employer contract with the goal of improving the working conditions, benefits and wages of all CEP members of CanWest Global. In the first half of our meetings in Montréal, GAC gave careful consideration to the ramifications and logistics of the CIRB ruling and endorsed instructions to our staff representatives.

We also started a GAC Defense Fund to supplement the CEP National Defense Fund, began planning our website and convened our National Health and Safety Policy Committee for Global Television (NHSPCGT) for the first time.

This committee is mandatory under the law and comprises regional representatives from the Union who will work co-operatively with the Company to ensure our jobsites are safe and our members healthy. The NHSPCGT will be working closely with your local Health and Safety committees to address your concerns.

In the latter portion of meetings, GAC participated in the CEP Media Council. One hundred and eleven delegates from forty locals representing twenty thousand members working in television, print and graphics met to attend workshops, share concerns and build solidarity.

This is a historic time to be involved in the Union and in many ways GAC is leading the way. None of these initiatives would be possible without you. Your knowledge, your patience, your input and your support are crucial. If you have any questions or concerns please contact your Local President or the GAC Chair, Kevin Hagglund at k_hagglund@shaw.ca or by phone at (250) 718-8055



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1100-M Hamilton * 821-M Winnipeg * 5149-M Saskatoon
832-M Lethbridge * 1900 Edmonton * 88-M Calgary
823-M Kelowna * 814-M Vancouver * 815-M Victoria