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CONVENTION 2023 – MEMO NO. 1

DATE: March 1, 2023

TO: National Board of Directors, Branch Executive, Executive Stewards, Chief Stewards, Stewards, Employee Representatives

SUBJECT: 20th National Convention – September 21, 22, and 23, 2023

CIU Members,

We are fast approaching our 20th National Convention. The National Convention, which is the supreme governing body of our Union, is held once every three years and provides an opportunity for all CIU members to become involved in the operation and future of their Union. The pandemic forced the postponement of our 2020 Convention to 2021, and after this short two-year term, it is now time to focus on the next three-year cycle. This year, the Convention will return to in-person participation only. The option to attend virtually will not be available.

As the supreme governing body, the National Convention provides a forum for delegates, elected by their peers and on a per capita basis according to Branch membership, to represent the members in making decisions that govern both the administration and the policies of this Union for the ensuing three-year period. The National Convention is also the forum where our Union's National Executive is elected for its three-year term. The CIU By-Laws (By-Law 8, Section 17) provide an opportunity for all members to submit resolutions, within the prescribed format, dealing with all aspects of the union.

The attached *Convention Call* applies to all CIU members in good standing and should be considered as an invitation to participate in the future of our union. Also attached is a Convention Resolution Form. It should be noted that Convention Resolutions pertaining to collective bargaining must refer only to the procedure of bargaining and not actual bargaining demands. Bargaining demands are sought through a different forum and are referred, through the Component Collective Bargaining Committee, to the Public Service Alliance of Canada. Bargaining demands will not be dealt with at the CIU National Convention.

We look forward to your participation and input and expect to greet some of you in September 2023. Any questions or clarification regarding the foregoing should be directed through your Branch Executive.

In solidarity,

Mark Weber
National President

Attachments