

Manitoba Government and General Employees' Union July 5, 2016

Deepak Chopra
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Dear Mr. Chopra:

## ANY QUESTIONS?

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**CUPW – Canada Post Negotiations** 

It is our understanding that Canada Post presented its first global offer on June 25, 2016, just one week prior to the corporation and union obtaining the right to strike and lock-out. We are asking you to give the collective bargaining process a chance to work and to reassess your opposition to pay equity for Rural and Suburban Mail Carriers and your resistance to new services, such as postal banking, which would help the corporation increase revenues.

As you know, the government is on record as supporting gender equality and is currently conducting a review of Canada Post that is exploring ways for our public post office to make money and carry out its responsibility to deliver mail. As the head of our public post office, we urge you to do your utmost to co-operate with the government on the above matters. We also urge you to forgo a lock-out and start negotiating with CUPW on these and other key issues.

In Solidarity,

Michelle Gawronsky

President, MGEU

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cc: Mike Palecek, President, CUPW, Judy Foote, Minister of Public Services and Procurement,
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