

October 26, 2007

Glenn Ross, President, Local 1975
Don Puff, President, Local 1975-01

Dear Brothers Glen and Don:

As your locals approach a critical stage in negotiations with the University of Saskatchewan and the University of Regina, we want to convey our full and continued support.

Your goal of a fair collective agreement which advances the economic and social well being of your members and their families is commendable. We understand the remaining issues are protection for benefits and incremental wage increases. These are fundamental for your members and your employers need to understand that you will not concede these positions.

The overwhelming support for strike action is a clear indication of the determination of your members. This will be the key to your success. We have no doubt that the tenacity shown by your leaders and activists, and the solidarity of your members, will continue until you reach a satisfactory settlement.

We are very proud of all of you. Be assured that 560,000 CUPE members from coast to coast are solidly behind your efforts. And, remember that together we can and will make a difference.

In solidarity,



PAUL MOIST
National President



CLAUDE GÉNÉREUX
National Secretary-Treasurer

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