



HOSPITAL EMPLOYEES' UNION

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To: Members at Burns Lake,
HEU Local

January 25, 2012

Re: Burns Lake Fire, January 20, 2012:

Dear Sisters and Brothers:

On behalf of your Provincial Executive, our staff and 43,000 members, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the HEU members that work in health care in the Burns Lake area. The vital role you played was essential in assisting with the workers of your community who were injured or killed when the Babine Saw Mill was destroyed on Friday, January 20, 2012.

The emergency services and care you provided demonstrates the commitment HEU members have to providing good health care in the most difficult of circumstances. It also highlights the importance of having quality emergency health care in all areas of British Columbia.

It is acts like these that express the true heart and compassion of health care workers and also highlights how HEU members go above and beyond to assist members, friends and families in our communities.

No doubt each one of you knows someone that was impacted by the disaster at the Burns Lake mill. My sincerest sympathies and the solidarity of our union goes out to each of you.

The Steelworkers have set up a trust account to support the workers and their families who have been affected by this tragedy. HEU has donated \$2,500 to that fund and will be sending the information out to all of our 260 Locals across the Province encouraging them to support the trust fund as well.

Thank you very much for your dedication and commitment to your community in this very unfortunate situation.

In solidarity,

Ken Robinson,
President

cc Provincial Executive/Directors/Reps