

HOSPITAL EMPLOYEES' UNION

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Sodexho: it's time to bargain

Member-driven postcard campaign underway

EU Sodexho food service workers in the Vancouver Coastal Health Authority are in the midst of an urgent postcard campaign to get their employer to the bargaining table.

Letters – including two postcards – were mailed to members last week with a call to sign one card and take another to work for a co-worker to sign. The extra card is to make sure that workers who may not be on the mailing list yet are part of the campaign.

HEU acting secretary-business manager Zorica Bosancic says that every member's voice is important as the bargaining committee prepares for talks with Sodexho for a first collective agreement.

"Our members have told us that there are

number of serious workplace issues that need to be addressed in negotiations," says Bosancic. "Their bargaining committee has been working hard to put together a comprehensive bargaining package based on members' input and they want talks to begin as soon as possible."

The bargaining committee met for four days recently and will be meeting again on February 22 and 23.

If you have any questions about bargaining or about the postcard campaign please call HEU representative Nina Dhillon at 604-438-5000 in the Lower Mainland or toll-free at 1-800-663-5813.

And phone the bargaining hotline at 604-739-1515 or 1-800-663-5813 extension 1515, or access the union's website at <www.heu.org> for the latest news.

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