Bargaining Update

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Wages and compensation dominate bargaining discussions this week

Progress continues to be made on key collective agreement priorities after three days of negotiations this week at the facilities subsector bargaining table.

HEU secretary-business manager Meena Brisard, also the spokesperson for the nine-union Facilities Bargaining Association (FBA), says the bargaining team is making good progress, but there is still work to do on the key issues of fair compensation, including wage increases.

"This week we countered the employer's wages and compensation offer," said Brisard." Our members continue to tell us that they need protection against the high cost of living. We continue to make steady progress at the table and I hope for more progress next week."

The bargaining committee returns to the table for another two days next week.

The facilities subsector collective agreement covers more than 58,000 health care workers. HEU represents more than 90 per cent of these workers. Health employers are represented by the Health Employers Association of BC (HEABC).

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