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A newsletter for OPSEU Members working for the Ministry of Finance Nov. 26, 2004

Re: Corporate Tax Branch Restructuring

Your MERC Team met on Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2004 with Marion Crane, Assistant Deputy Minister of the Tax Revenue Division.

The employer stated that there are no decisions and no definitive dates that have been finalized at this time.

Both the Federal and Provincial governments are gathering information on how to make this new initiative happen.

The ADM has stated that they recognize and value the employees that work for the Ministry of Finance. The employer has also made a commitment to communicate all future announcements and or initiative directly to the MERC team. A weekly conference call will take place between the ADM and/or Team Lead and the Reasonable Efforts Committee (REC) members.

The Reasonable Efforts Committee will consist of Kathleen Demareski and Maurice Gabay and an OPSEU Job Security Officer.

It is imperative that our members forward any questions and/or concerns to your Local President. Some of the issues will be addresses at

Local Enforcement and Renewal Committee meetings. Your Local President will forward unresolved issues with regards to this announced initiative to the Reasonable Efforts Committee (REC).

It is important to note that as per Appendix 18, the REC will be responsible for ensuring that our member's rights and entitlements are protected throughout this process.

More information will be communicated as it becomes available for distribution.

In solidarity

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