

DEC Notes

Information for OPSEU members at
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179 DEC members convert to classified

As a result of a recent Grievance Settlement Board decision and subsequent Memorandum of Settlement, we have been successful in the conversion of 125 unclassified OPSEU Driver Examination Services members to classified status as of Dec. 19, 2002. Those members elected on Feb. 4, 2003 to either transfer to the “new service provider” or to opt out of the Confidential Information Memorandum, according to their entitlements under Appendix 18 of the Collective Agreement.

A team of MERC members and regional OPSEU volunteers canvassed the DEC’s across the province to ensure that unclassified members who met the criteria under Article 31.15.1.1 were not excluded from conversion. While some of those we identified as eligible for conversion remain in dispute, MTO agreed to convert 18 more in January. And 36 more became eligible under the settlement in February.

We await the announcement of the “new service provider”. The latest information from the Employer is that the transfer of service to the new provider could take place by the end of March 2003. As we receive information we will provide updates.

If you have any questions please contact OPSEU Head Office at our toll free number 1-800-268-7376 and ask for either Eileen Wesley @ ext. 353 or Paul Dunseith @ ext. 354, or you can call your MERC team members.

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<http://www.opseu.org/campaign/mtooindex.htm> on the OPSEU web site.