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Secretary-Treasurers

Dear Sisters, Brothers and Friends:

Re: Introduction to Equity workshop – November 23-24, 2017

As a social justice union, HEU promotes inclusion, respect and fairness for all our members. And, as part of the labour movement, we stand in solidarity against all forms of injustice and discrimination experienced by workers in Canada and across the globe.

Equity is critical to building a strong, resilient labour movement.

That's why HEU is offering a new, two-day workshop – Introduction to Equity – open to all members. This course will examine the societal and political systems which lead to oppression and inequity, and discuss efficient ways to organize for change to achieve social and economic justice for all workers.

The course includes an overview of common equity and social justice terminology, a review of current events and case studies, a discussion on self-identity and labels, and strategies to build a more equitable union.

Please distribute the enclosed application form (photocopy as needed). Forms can be faxed, mailed or emailed. Please send **ONE COPY** only. A fax cover sheet is enclosed.

Completed applications must be returned to Jamie Cruz, HEU Education Department, 5000 North Fraser Way, Burnaby, B.C. V5J 5M3 by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, September 29, 2017.**

Should you have any questions about this or any other equity issues, please contact HEU's equity officers Sharryn Modder or Jennifer Efting at the Provincial Office.

In solidarity,

Jennifer Whiteside
Secretary-Business Manager

Enclosure

cc: Chairpersons, Provincial Executive, HEU Reps and Directors, Equity caucuses