

I am writing to express my deepest concern that a fellow CUPE Local has seen fit to end their relationship with Union Marketing, a company fully unionized by the Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) and providing crucial full-time work to many members.

The employees of Union Marketing count on the loyalty of fellow union brothers and sisters for their continued employment. As CUPE members, we need our fellow union locals to support our work and jobs!

While our members understand that there are a number of reasons for these kinds of decisions, I sincerely hope that this was not a decision based on cost factor.

CUPE members throughout Canada are being greatly affected by anti-labour, low-cost, low-wage initiatives at all levels of government, which has led to privatization and contracting out.

As union members with a **strong mandate for safe**, **secure**, **fair-paying jobs**, we should be held to a higher standard.

I would like to encourage solidarity amongst all CUPE members. Let's recommit to supporting our brothers and sisters within this great union!

Yours with respect and in solidarity,

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