## Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change Ministry Employee Relations Committee (MERC) Ministry Health and Safety Committee (OPSEU)

Monday, May 28, 2018 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

6<sup>th</sup> Floor Executive Boardroom, 40 St. Clair Avenue West, Toronto ON Teleconference: 416-212-8013 or 1-866-633-1033 PC 3227427#

## In Attendance

| For the Union   | For the Employer   | Guests  | Regrets  |
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| Janis Pechinger (Co-Chair)<br>Shawn Burr<br>Julius Arscott<br>Tim Elphick (Advisor) | Jacques LeGris (Co-Chair)* Lee Orphan Cammy Mack (teleconference) Lynn Ross (for Teresa Polito) Martha Baldwin (Advisor) Madiha Syed (Support) | Brian Cowan (MTO) Richard Raeburn-Gibson Don Earl Shannon Seko Randy Thompson | Teresa Polito<br>Sandra Harper<br>Chris Johnston |

| Date Tabled  | Standing Items   | Referred to | Action |
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| ·            | 1. Review Previous Minutes   |             |        |
| May 28, 2018 | MERC minutes for January 18, 2018 have been posted to the intranet.                        |             |        |
|              | The parties agreed to continue with co-chair rotation of the facilitation of the meetings. |             |        |

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|              | The parties agreed that the Strategic Business Unit will be continuing to formulate the agenda for the meetings. The final agenda will be approved by the co-chairs in advance of the meeting.   |             |  |
|              | 2.1 Fixed Term Usage Report  |             |  |
|              | Management previously provided the Quarterly Fixed Term Usage Report as of March 31, 2018.   |             |  |
| May 28, 2018 | Union requested that Management share the report with the entire Union team.   |             |  |
|              | Management agreed to share the report with the entire Union team.  |             |  |
|              | 2.2 ASMP Report  |             |  |
| May 28, 2018 | Management advised that there are no MOECC employees on the Attendance Support Management Program. All employees are under the Employee Attendance Support Program.  |             | The parties agreed to remove this standing item from the agenda. |
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| May 28, 2018 | 2.3 Training  Management advised that a discussion was held on April 3 <sup>rd</sup> , 2018 with a member of the MERC team to discuss further development of training in the Drinking Water and Environmental Compliance Division. There is a training needs | Management  | Management to provide a quarterly update on this agenda item.    |

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|              | assessment survey forthcoming and a training calendar.                             |             |  |
|              | Union has requested to continue to be involved in the collaboration of the survey. | Union       | The Union will advise Management as to who the contact person on the survey will be. |
|              | 2.4 Status Update on HWIN  |             |  |
| May 28, 2018 | Management advised that there is no update at this time.                           |             | Item deferred  |
| May 28, 2018 | 2.5 Employee Engagement  |             | Item deferred  |
| May 28, 2018 | 2.6 135 St. Clair Building   |             | Item deferred  |

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| May 28, 2018         | 2.7 Lab Relocation  |             | Item deferred .   |
| <b>M</b> ay 28, 2018 | 2.8 POSI Pilot -Update on EO4 Job Description -Pilot Interview Process  |             | Item deferred   |
| <b>M</b> ay 28, 2018 | 2.9 Standard Operating Procedures for Undesignated Staff  The Director, Compliance Planning and SAC, the Assistant Director, Environmental Enforcement and Compliance Office and the Manager of Divisional Compliance and Program Services Support provided an update on The Draft Provincial Officer Designation Policy. A copy was provided to the parties.  Management advised that the responsibility of Provincial Officer Designation was transferred to the Compliance Planning and SAC Branch from Investigations Enforcement Branch.  The precautions for non-designated MOECC employees is included in section 6 of the policy. |             | The parties to provide further comments to Management on the Draft Provincial Officer Designation Policy by June 1st. |

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|              | 3.1 Telematics Update  The Manager, Fleet Management Operations (MTO) presented on Telematics.   | Employer    | Management to receive further information from MTO.   |
|              | Union requested that consideration be given to providing defensive driving training on a more frequent basis for staff.                      |             |   |
| May 28, 2018 | Union raised concerns that workload demands may incentivise staff to drive faster in ministry vehicles to meet their inspections.            |             |   |
|              | Management advised that health and safety including driving safety of staff is the number one priority.                                      |             |   |
|              | The Union inquired about notification of telematics in vehicles for staff.   | Union       | Union will refer this question to CERC for OPS wide consideration.  |
|              | 3.2 SAC Call-Out Procedures  |             |   |
| May 28, 2018 | The Director, Compliance Planning and SAC and the Senior Manager, Spills Action Centre provided updates to the table and answered questions. | Employer    | Management to schedule a ninety minute fact finding meeting with Spills Action Centre and the Union to discuss specific instances, how to |

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|              | Union raised concerns about the Elevated Response Assessment Tool and the Elevated Emails (specifically Appendix A: Environmental Response Assessment Tool) and the processes in place for ERP callouts and notification procedures of incident reports to district and area offices. |             | enhance the process and<br>the assessment tool.<br>Management committed<br>to an open, inclusive and<br>frank discussion with the<br>Union in this regard. |
|              | Union raised questions about how the tool was developed and if there is an opportunity for further comment.  Management advised that Districts have been asked to provide comments and concerns with the tool as necessary.   | Union       | Union to provide further background information and advise when the meeting can take place.  |
|              | Union raised concerns about the tool not capturing environmental effects appropriately.  Union requested further information on who was consulted prior to implementation of the tool.  | Management  | Management to provide list of who was consulted in development of the tool.  |
| May 28, 2018 | 3.3 Emergency Management – Role of Chief<br>Warden/Evacuation Coordinator   | Management  | Management to coordinate a multi-bargaining agent information session on Health and Safety.  |
| May 28, 2018 | 3.4 5/20 Temporary Assignment Tracking  |             |  |

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| May 28, 2018 | 3.5 Program Services Units in Regional<br>Offices             |             | Item deferred |
| May 28, 2018 | 3.6 Electronic Processing of Information of Approvals (e-CAS) |             | Item deferred |
| May 28, 2018 | 3.7 IEB Referrals   |             | Item deferred |
| May 28, 2018 | 3.8 Short Form Wording  |             | Item deferred |

| Date Tabled  | Health and Safety                        | Referred to | Action        |
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| May 28, 2018 | 4.1 Tracking of Health and Safety Issues |             | Item deferred |

| Date Tabled  | Sign-Off of Live Minutes   | Referred to | Action  |
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|              | 5. Sign-off of Live Minutes  |             |   |
| May 28, 2018 | The Union was unsatisfied that all matters were unable to be discussed today.  The parties have committed to further discussions on time management of the meetings. |             | The remainder of the items will be postponed due to time constraints. |

For the Union:

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