

## **Joint Occupation Health and Safety Committee Report to the TFEU Annual General Meeting – May 31, 2011**

The Joint Occupational Health and Safety Committee met on September 29, 2011, October 20, 2011, November 17, 2011, January 19, 2012, February 16, 2012, April 19, 2012 and May 17, 2012. There is one more scheduled meeting on June 21, 2012.

The yearly workplace inspections of all departments were completed by the committee.

There was only one WCB accident/incident report filed this year. Two committee members followed up with the affected member and determined if any actions were required to prevent or make members aware of potential risk situations.

The committee reviewed the Proactive Indoor Air Quality Monitoring Program report dated July 4, 2011. The results of the testing were all well within acceptable limits. The next inspection is scheduled for May 24, 2012.

The committee looked at a number of issues and made recommendations during the year which included concerns over the communal dishes and cutlery in the workrooms not being properly washed, periods of loud disruptive construction noise next to our building, and an air intake issue in one of the offices thought to also come from the construction site. We saw a change to a one-time-sterile saline solution system for the eye wash station in Production, a switch to latex-free bandages and the purchase of a defibrillator.

The committee reminds members that if they see a situation that requires attention they should act on it and not wait. Please report it to your supervisor, maintenance or a member of the committee. Your committee is available if you have an issue which you feel requires attention.

Submitted on behalf of the Joint Occupation Health and Safety Committee

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