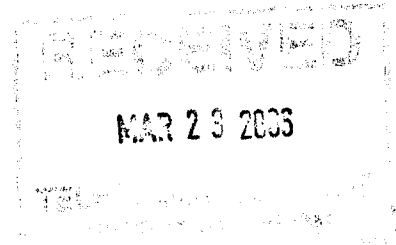


March 20, 2006



Bruce Bell  
President - TWU  
5261 Lane Street  
Burnaby, BC  
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Subject: Article 29 - Contracting Out Notification

Dear Bruce,

This letter is to inform you that the Company intends to contract out the following work in BC to appropriate vendors when our internal resources are unavailable or they are not efficiently able to meet business requirements due to location of resources, project schedules, etc.

- Construction
  - Aerial and Underground
- Placing and Splicing
  - Fibre and Copper
- Outside Plant Design
- Pole Contacts

Our intent is to continue to use internal resources whenever they are able to meet our business requirements.

Please call me if you have any questions. I can be reached at (250) 861 2507

Yours truly,



*per* Terry M. Ward  
Director - Contract Operations CSD BC

c. - Dave Thomson, Labour Relations  
Don Kennett, Regional Director, CSD

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