



January 17, 2013

To: Members of the CLC Canadian Council

Re: Strike at Porter Airlines

Greetings,

We have been advised by the Canadian Office and Professional Employees (COPE) that as of January 9, 2013, COPE members at Porter Airlines at the Toronto Island Airport are on strike for a first agreement. The workers fuel, service and clean the aircraft and joined COPE in the spring of 2012.

Porter Airlines is engaging in anti-union behaviour by issuing a final offer of no wage increases for the unionized workers while at the same time offering an increase of 25 cents an hour to non-union employees. Porter is using scabs to maintain its operations at the Toronto Island Airport.

I know you join the CLC in expressing our sincere solidarity with the COPE members as they fight for their first agreement by advising your members about Porter's anti-union activities to prevent their workers from achieving a fair first contract and asking them not to fly Porter Airlines.

In solidarity,

Ken Georgetti
President

cc: Officers and Assistants
S. Cadieux, National President COPE
CLC Staff

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