



**Communications, Energy and Paperworkers Union of Canada  
Syndicat canadien des communications, de l'énergie et du papier**

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**Ontario Region**

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TO: Telco Locals in Ontario  
FROM: John Edwards, Administrative Vice-President

It has been announced today that the CTEA will present to their membership a merger agreement with the CEP. Their members are being asked to vote in favour of this merger.

If accepted, the addition of their 12,000 members would clearly make CEP the largest telephone union and the dominant communication union in Canada.

This is a critical time for telephone workers. With changes that are happening in the telephone industry, particularly the recent equity buyout of BCE, the united strength will help to serve our members more effectively.

I am asking CEP members who work closely with the CTEA members to encourage them to vote in favour of this merger.

We have a historic opportunity to face our employers with a united voice. I trust you take every opportunity to welcome our sisters and brothers from the CTEA.

cc: C. Makowski, Vice-President  
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all staff

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