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TO: ALL STAFF AND LOCALS IN ONTARIO REGION

RE: CORONAVIRUS (2019-nCoV) (Wuhan coronavirus)

The Wuhan coronavirus is a new virus that has been widely reported in the media lately. Originating in Wuhan, China, the coronavirus “2019-nCoV” is an illness in the same family as SARS (severe acute respiratory syndrome).

Workers in the sectors of health care and transportation are at a greater risk of exposure to the virus. Employers in these sectors should already have effective plans in place for regular day-to-day interactions as well as protocols to follow for pandemic events.

CUPE National’s Health and Safety Branch has developed an information fact sheet that includes measures of control to prevent exposure to the coronavirus in the workplace.

Please share the following links with your locals:

English: <https://cupe.ca/coronavirus>

French: <https://scfp.ca/coronavirus-de-wuhan>

For more information on respiratory illness and pandemic influenza please review the attached fact sheets.

Best Regards,



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