

**Bargaining Communiqué #7**  
**January 20, 2005**

CUPE and SAHO were back at the bargaining table January 18<sup>th</sup> and January 20<sup>th</sup>. Minimal progress was made.

Negotiations were suspended January 19<sup>th</sup> while a smaller committee of the CUPE bargaining committee and representatives from the other health provider unions (SEIU and SGEU) met with SAHO to discuss the Extended Health and Enhanced Dental Benefit Plan. It would be an understatement to say that the EHB discussions did not go well. The health provider unions will be releasing a membership update shortly on that issue.

Since our last round of negotiations a decision has been received from Arbitrator Dan Ish with respect to the disputed JJE issues. Please watch for a separate Communiqué explaining the decision.

Next meeting dates are February 1, 2, and 3<sup>rd</sup> in Saskatoon.