



BC FERRY & MARINE WORKERS' UNION

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STOP FERRY WORKER ABUSE CAMPAIGN UPDATE

With the busy summer season upon us, we hope all of you have seen the Union's www.stopferryworkerabuse.ca campaign.

We have received very positive feedback on the campaign. Our members are reporting passengers voicing support for the campaign, not to mention media reporting.

The Company has had at least two updates to employees mentioning the campaign to date.

We would like to point out the campaign costs a fraction of the average CEO's salary, and appears to have accomplished more in less than two weeks than any other initiative we have seen recently.

After surveying the membership, it was apparent action needed to be taken. Furthermore, a 2016 Task Analysis done jointly, as a result of workplace harassment recommended a *"Request to be made to media relations to consider a pre-summer media release regarding acceptable customer behavior towards our frontline staff."* Which shows a history of joint safety committees recognizing a need for a campaign. At a cost of roughly an hours' average wage from each of your annual dues, this campaign appears to be a good use our funds.

Please speak up to stop abuse, by reaching out to your Local president or the Union Office.

"Shop Stewards: Please Post on Bulletin Boards"

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