



## **Bargaining Communiqué**

**to BHP Billiton Canada (Ekati) Employees  
PSAC Bargaining Unit**

## ***Contract Ratified!***

**October 7, 2011** – The Union of Northern Workers (UNW) and the Public Service Alliance of Canada (PSAC) are pleased to announce that its Local 3050 Members working at the Ekati diamond mine, Canada's first diamond mine, has ratified a new 3-year collective agreement expiring August 31, 2014. The ratification was announced after a vote count today at the PSAC's office in Yellowknife. Present at the vote count were Local 3050 Members Marisa Mabbitt and Floyd Collins, who is also RVP - Kimberlite.

Todd Parsons, President of the Union of Northern Workers said: "Congratulations on a new and enhanced collective agreement. The Union is looking forward is seeing the results of the new wage structure put into place, and we will be monitoring it carefully."

Julie Docherty, Regional Executive Vice-President – North, Public Service Alliance of Canada, added: "The Union Membership has confirmed the settlement. All around the new collective agreement is a solid advance for the workers."

For further information, please check the UNW website:

<http://www.unw.ca>