



CUPE CLIMATE CHANGE EMERGENCY DECLARATION

Our CUPE Local will:

1. Recognize we are living in a global climate crisis and that a climate emergency must be declared.
2. Recognize that we must emerge from the COVID-19 pandemic with a fair and just recovery plan.
3. Engage with our members and allies to push for a zero-carbon economy.
4. Work with our employer(s) to cut greenhouse gas emissions throughout our workplace(s) by bargaining climate change contract language, setting up workplace environment committees, and creating workplace environmental representative positions.
5. Take steps to cut emissions from our Local operations to create a zero-carbon Local union.
6. Pressure all levels of government to decarbonize our economy and put in place Just Transition strategies and programs for affected workers and their communities.

Because:

1. The climate crisis is the planet's most-urgent socio-economic and political issue.
2. CUPE adopted a national environmental policy calling on the union at all levels to work to limit planetary warming to 1.5 .
3. Jobs in Canada are threatened by the climate crisis.
4. We cannot go back to old ways of working as we emerge from the pandemic.
5. Fighting the climate crisis helps improve the quality of workers' lives.
6. Trade unionists, governments, employers, citizens, and all sectors of society have a role to play in ending the climate crisis.

Signed: _____

Position/role within the local union: _____

CUPE Local: _____

Dated: _____