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RE: CIRCULAR TO THE INDUSTRY

We wish to confirm that as the result of the Plastic negotiations between PCASA and some unions in our industry, the plastics sector remains covered by the Registered Scope of the MEIBC.

It is important to note that parties have agreed to engage through a process of negotiations in the PNF (Plastics Negotiating Forum) on the PCASA proposed agreement, while the process is in progress there will be no vacuum meaning that the industry agreement still applies to plastic industry and is still covered by Metal and Engineering Bargaining Council Scope. The current negotiations of the industry when concluded its agreement will apply to all our industries including the plastics industry until and unless there is a separate agreement for the plastic sector. Once an agreement is concluded for the plastic sector, such agreement will still fall under the auspices of the MEIBC and will be administered by the MEIBC. Hence it is important to note that the current negotiation processes within the MEIBC does not impact on the Registered Scope of the MEIBC.

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