Dedicated to building a strong, inclusive, and effective union, I am seeking your support to serve as a delegate to the 2027 Public Service Alliance of Canada National Triennial Convention. Having served as National Vice-President for the Canada Employment and Immigration Union for Manitoba/Saskatchewan from 2019 to 2023, I bring proven leadership and deep experience across local, regional, and national levels of our labor movement.

Throughout my term as NVP, I prioritized member-driven representation, activist development, and health and safety. My national experience includes co-chairing the ESDC Regional Occupational Health and Safety Committee, sitting on the National Policy Health and Safety Committee, and representing PSAC on the Canadian Labour Congress Employment Insurance Working Group. I have consistently fought for safe working conditions, fair telework policies, and meaningful EI reform that protects workers' rights.

Recognizing that our strength lies in active membership, I spearheaded regional capacity-building initiatives. I oversaw local reorganization programs to support locals, expanded regional training in grievance handling and equity-focused representation, and pioneered virtual mobilization strategies to keep members connected. Additionally, I worked to modernize our bylaws, promote succession planning, and shift our union culture toward sustaining activists through work-life balance.

From organizing regional bargaining townhalls to advocating for mental health representation, I have always championed member voices at every table. I understand the complex challenges facing PSAC members—from inflation and bargaining to workplace health, safety, and equity. As a delegate, I will leverage this broad experience to advocate for progressive resolutions, strong collective bargaining priorities, and an inclusive vision for PSAC.

In my current role as a Deputy Trustee for the Prairies, I am working with Local activists, other Deputy Trustees and our National Staff to address issues within the component then returning it to normal operations.

Thank you for your consideration and solidarity.

Chris Gardiner