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Public Service Staff Relations Act Before the Public Service Staff Relations Board

## **BETWEEN**

## **Public Service Alliance of Canada**

**Bargaining Agent** 

and

**Treasury Board** 

**Employer** 

**RE:** Designated Positions <u>Technical Services Group</u>

Before: Yvon Tarte, Chairperson

- [1] In *Public Service Alliance of Canada v. Treasury Board*, 2004 PSSRB 134, the Board designated positions in the Technical Services Group bargaining unit pursuant to subsection 78.1(6) of the *Public Service Staff Relations Act* (the *Act*). Diskette *TABLENUM 3* (the "old diskette"), dated August 12, 2004, contains the list of all of the positions that the parties agreed had safety or security duties as of that date.
- [2] On September 15, 2004, the employer advised the Board that the parties agreed to amend the list on the old diskette. Enclosed with the employer's letters were Memoranda of Agreement, by which the parties agreed to amend the list on the old diskette, together with a new diskette bearing identification TABLENUM = 3 (the "new diskette"), dated September 13, 2004. The employer advised the Board that the bargaining agent had been provided with a true copy of the new diskette. The new diskette is accepted by the Board as including the list of all of the positions that the parties now agree have safety or security duties.
- [3] Consequently, on the basis of the agreement of the parties, the Board hereby revokes the designation of any positions that the parties now agree no longer have safety or security duties, as the case may be. The Board also revokes the Forms 13 issued for those positions. The Board directs the employer to return forthwith any Forms 13 still in its possession and that have not been distributed to employees in those positions. Furthermore, the employer is to make every reasonable effort to obtain any Forms 13 that may have been so distributed to employees in those positions. The bargaining agent is to cooperate in this regard. The Board will destroy the Forms 13 when returned by the employer.
- [4] Further, on the agreement of the parties and pursuant to subsection 78.1(6) of the *Act*, the Board hereby designates any positions that the parties now agree have safety or security duties that were not previously designated, as the case may be.
- [5] Pursuant to section 78.5 of the *Act*, the Board hereby authorizes the employer to inform the employees occupying the positions designated above. For this purpose, the Board will provide the employer with a Form 13 for each of those positions, containing all the information required, with the exception of the name of the employee occupying the designated position, the "Dated at..." portion of the Form, which is to be completed by the employer prior to notification.

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[6] On June 16, 2004, the parties applied for an extension of the time limit set out in section 60 of the *P.S.S.R.B. Regulations and Rules of Procedure, 1993* (the *Regulations*), to August 9, 2004. Pursuant to section 6 of the *Regulations*, this request was granted by the Board on June 23, 2004, 2004 PSSRB 70.

- [7] Since the Board did not receive the employer's letter prior to the expiry of the extension of time granted in this file, the above timeline cannot apply in the instant case. In these circumstances, the persons who occupy the positions designated above are to be so informed within 30 days from the date of this decision. Thereafter, future occupants of a designated position during this round of bargaining shall be notified within 30 days of the date on which they first occupy the position.
- [8] Finally, the Board draws the employer's attention to its responsibility under subsection 60(2) of the *Regulations* that, on the notification of an employee who occupies a designated position, it is to provide forthwith a copy of the notice referred to in subsection 60(1) to the bargaining agent.

Yvon Tarte Chairperson

OTTAWA, September 21, 2004.