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Shirley Robertson,
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The Royal Centre,
1055 W. Georgia,
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Dear Ms. Robertson:

I would like to thank you, on behalf of myself and the Association, for your time July 29; and let you know that three of us had a very good meeting with Vic Kowal last week in which a number of issues were clarified.

Following your advice, we have decided to sign the contract for this year and will be presenting our position opposing wage reductions for participants. Mr. Kowal has indicated his preference the issue go to a local review board.

I am hopeful we will shortly resolve concerns for this year.

Regarding the possible continuation of WomenWorks beyond its third year, I should make it very clear the Association is more concerned about its overall purpose of enhancing the status and equality of women than attachment to any single project that meets a part of that purpose. However, we do view Kootenay WomenWorks as a very successful project in improving the economic status of women and, since we expect the needs of women to persist, we must wonder what will take the place of the project if it does not continue.

I expect we will be in further communication with your office and would be most pleased to hear from you.

Thank you again for your assistance.

Yours truly,

Patricia Lakes
Chairperson,
W.K.W.A.