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**Union Collective Agreement**

**Gander — August 11, 2004** — Council is pleased to announce that we have come to terms on a three year Collective Agreement with its unionized workforce represented by CAW (Canadian National Automobile, Aerospace, Transportation and General Workers Union of Canada), Local 597.

The former Contract which expired on May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2004 was replaced by a new agreement ratified at the Council meeting on Wednesday, August 11<sup>th</sup>, 2004. It was highlighted by a three year wage package consisting of a 2% increase in each year. Other changes involved Compassionate Care Benefits and improved Occupational Health and Safety Provisions.

The Collective Agreement was negotiated with the assistance of Conciliator John Hodder of the Department of Labour. Council is pleased with the contract and feels it is fair to both the workers who provide a valuable service to the community as well as the residents of Gander.

The Contract was accepted by the CAW membership and Council hopes it is another step in fostering an already productive working relationship.

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