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YFL Labour Issues Campaign – General Election 2006

The Yukon Federation of Labour said today that its “Labour Issues Campaign” for the territorial election has been a success to date.

“We have been successful in getting all three parties to talk about labour’s issues,” said Furlong. “Now it’s in the hands of workers and their families to make an important decision on Tuesday October 10th.”

“By all accounts, it will be a close election,” said Furlong. “Many workers will elect their employer. The rest will elect or not elect a leader, party and candidates who are on their side and will stand up for working families.”

Furlong said the top three of seven issues in the labour campaign – child care, health care and privatization – are all crucial.

“Last night’s leader’s debate provided what I consider thoughtful insight as to where the parties stand on the issues that are important to working families” Furlong stated. “On what I have seen to date in this election and having seen the leaders lay their platform out to the voting public and our members, I can say that Mr. Hardy has a firm understanding of what is important for working families in this election”.

Furlong further states” all parties have had an opportunity to address the issues in the labour issues campaign and now it will be up to our membership to participate in the democratic process and have a say in who will form the next government. It is very important that all our members exercise their right to vote and see who will be on their side”.

The Yukon Federation of Labour represents 4,000 members in the Yukon and is a member of the Canadian Labour Congress which represents 3.2 million workers across Canada.

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