

Re: Statement on OPSEU post-retirement benefits

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Hi Minister,

We can ask the DMO about a briefing tomorrow afternoon.
I will follow up shortly.

Also, we have received an update that OPSEU is not making a public statement but will be informing members only.

Lauren

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Statement sounds good but I haven't been briefed on the settlement?? If it is going public we need to fit this in somewhere. Is Thursday aft too late?
And I signed correspondence post Nov 11 which was messaging for the original position.
Liz

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Rogers network.

From: Ostergard, Matt (TBS)
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Minister,

We've prepared a reactive statement for you in case any media are interested in the OPSEU agreement.

Are you comfortable with this?

“On November 11, 2016, the Government and the Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU) reached a settlement relating to post-retirement benefits (PRBs) for members of the OPSEU Pension Plan (OPTrust). The Government now intends to apply these changes to all impacted individuals who are members of the OPTrust or Public Service Pension Plan (PSPP).

This revised approach provides impacted individuals with the option of an alternative, retiree-focused PRB plan at no cost to those individuals. It also maintains the fiscal savings associated with changes to eligibility requirements and cost-sharing terms announced in February 2014.

I am pleased that we have reached this fair and reasonable settlement with OPSEU. The government remains committed to balancing the budget by 2017-18, and managing compensation costs, including post-retirement benefits, is a key element of achieving this goal . ”

Thanks,

Matt Ostergard

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