Broadbent Study Confirms Need for Greater Infrastructure Investment; Highlights Important Choice in Federal Election

OAKVILLE, ON—The following statement was issued today by Michael Gallagher, IUOE Canadian Conference Chairperson and Local 793 Business Manager, on the release of a study by the Broadbent Institute regarding ‘The Economic Benefits of Public Infrastructure Spending in Canada’: “Building public infrastructure has always been a smart investment. The Broadbent study not only confirms this, but points the way towards immediate and long-term growth for our struggling economy.

The Harper Conservatives have paid only lip service to the $123-billion infrastructure deficit we now face. Their failure to act has cost jobs and productivity. We know what it takes to build up this country and we’re glad to see that both the Liberals and NDP have serious infrastructure proposals that will create jobs and start moving Canada forward again.

In this election we have a choice and Operating Engineers choose progress over continued decline under the Harper Conservatives.”

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