

**VOTE-COLETTE FAUCHON-FOR 1ST VICE-CHAIR COMPONENT 20
LOCAL AREA 03 CURRENTLY 2ND VICE CHAIR 2003**

Hi everyone, for those of you who don't know me I am Colette Fauchon, currently 2nd Vice-Chair of 2003, working in Squamish at the Ministry of Forests, Lands, Natural Resources Operations and Rural Development as an Advisor, First Nation Relations. I began my time with the public service in 1993 with the Ministry of Forests in Powell River as a Forest Officer where I gained valuable experience in the natural resource sector and also began my membership as a unionized worker in the BCGEU.

Throughout my term in public service I have learned a great deal about the inner workings of the BCGEU, the role of stewards, locals and components. I became more active in the BCGEU in 2005 when I was appointed as a Member at Large Executive in my then component 1203, a valuable learning union experience for me. My BCGEU experience is:

- Delegate for 3 BCGEU Conventions, BC Federation of Labour 3 Conventions, and Canadian Labour Congress, 1 Convention.
- Former member of the BCGEU Provincial Women's Executive Committee, 2nd Vice-chair Component 20, Member of the Equity and Diversity Committee, steward, and member at Large with the 1203 executive.
- Attended Local BCGEU programs and courses such as; Basic and Advanced Steward, Facing Management, Occupational Health and Safety, Local Officer Training, Women in Leadership, Equity and Diversity workshops as well as attending many workers rights activities in Squamish, Victoria and the Lower Mainland.

Many years ago I realized firsthand the value and important of the BCGEU and stewards in the workplace and in society as a whole. I wish to continue my union activism in working for fairness and respect for workers' rights in the labour movement.

I ask that you consider voting for me to strongly represent you and your concerns as 1st Vice Chairperson for 2003 in the upcoming Component election.

I can be reached at cfauchon@telus.net if you have any questions please contact me and I will be happy to speak with you, thank you.