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PEOPLE TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT WATER

A coalition of community, student, faith, environment and union groups are campaigning to protect public water. These groups want the City to consult the public on water related issues.

They are educating the public about the dangers of privatizing water and lobbying politicians to keep water a public resource.

SPEAK OUT!

We are encouraging everyone to speak out about the importance of public water: **You can:**

- contact your Councillor
- post this brochure in your workplace or share it with a friend

STAY INFORMED!

Sign-up for email updates and stay informed about action taking place to keep water public. It's easy to join. Go to www.cupe500.mb.ca and click on the "sign-up" button.

For more information and resources about water, visit:

Council of Canadians: www.canadians.org/water/

Canadian Union of Public Employees: www.cupe.ca/water

Inside the Bottle: www.insidethebottle.org/

Polaris Institute: www.polarisinstitute.org/

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*Winnipeg's
Water Treatment
could be Privatized*



CUPE Members Care about Public Water



QUALITY PUBLIC SERVICES MATTER

Quality public services are the building blocks for strong and healthy communities.

Winnipeg's water and wastewater treatment is currently operated as a high quality public service. Everyday, CUPE members in the Water and Waste Department provide attention to the quality and accessibility of our public water. They make sure the water from our tap is pure and safe.

CITY PROPOSES MUNICIPAL CORPORATE UTILITY

In November 2008, Winnipeg City Council voted to explore setting up a Municipal Corporate Utility (city-owned but at arms length) to operate city utilities. They also approved using a business (public-private partnership or P3) method to "design, construct, finance and operate" water and waste control centres.

The union representing city workers and community groups see risks in these actions. These decisions could lead to privatizing the City's wastewater services. If private companies operate public services, they tend to be less accountable to public needs.

HOW COUNCIL VOTED

The Councillors who voted with the Mayor in favour of the motion were: Grant Nordman, Scott Fielding, Gord Steeves, Justin Swandel, Jeff Browaty, Russ Wyatt, Mike Pagtakhan, Harry Lazarenko and Mike O'Shaughnessy.

City Councillors who voted against the motion were: Jenny Gerbasi, Dan Vandal, Harvey Smith, and Lillian Thomas.

PRIVATIZATION IS NOT THE ANSWER

Privatization of our water and wastewater in any form is not the answer. Evidence from across Canada and other countries has shown that once water and wastewater privatization takes hold, public accountability and openness are lost. Water rates increase when corporate rights take over from community rights and international trade agreements favour corporations.

Water and wastewater services and infrastructure must be publicly financed and delivered. Companies can design and construct infrastructure, but we are good at the rest.

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**Public Water & Sewer Services
Safe • Reliable • Affordable**