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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**B.C. Infrastructure Agreement is Great News for British Columbians**

BC's construction workers will benefit from the new Agreement developed by Allied Infrastructure and Related Construction Council of BC and our BC Government. With an emphasis on putting local qualified skilled trades to work on local projects just makes good-sense, for these trades to make better wages and spend that money in their community to the benefit of small business, receive health care for their families, and begin earning the ability to retire with dignity, is something we all hope for.

To have those working families hopes and interests be used as fodder for the anti-worker political and business class is irresponsible but reliable. To repeatedly point to a document written in 1994 about the cost over-runs of the Island Highway Project which didn't finish until 2001, is absurd. When BC's Auditor General wrote his post-project report, found the Highway "was worth the money spent", and was under the budget that was created before the Agreement with the Unions was signed.

We have two Dams being worked on in BC today, John Hart by these same construction Unions, on time and on budget, and Site "C" under the BC Liberals low price method widely reported behind schedule and over-budget.

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**About the IBEW Local 230**

Chartered in 1902, the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 230 represents 1300 electrical workers on Vancouver Island in industrial, commercial, institutional and residential construction and maintenance, marine shipyards, railway, motor winding, electrical wholesale, municipal, provincial and federal governments. Our cause is the cause of human justice, human rights, and human security.

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