

Sample letter to your MLA

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(Month) (Day) (Year)

Mr./Ms. (First Name) (Last Name)

MLA (Specify Riding)

Re: Vaccine distribution: Telecommunications workers ought to be added to the provincial priority list of workers

Dear (Salutation) (Last Name):

As your constituent and proud Union member working for a Canadian telecommunications company, I am writing to express my bewilderment that my job category hasn't been included yet in the current priority list of workers for the vaccine distribution.

As a member of the United Steelworkers Local 1944, I am part of a group of about 9,000 telecommunications workers and their families. More than that, I am part of a diverse union of 225,000 workers in every sector of the economy in Canada.

Those that are most vulnerable are also those most at risk for contracting the virus. I believe that technicians that enter into customers' home and/or businesses to do work ought to be included in this priority list.

As the world never relied this heavily on telecommunications, I am one of these workers that keep our country connected. People across Canada have an enormous need for the work that my coworkers and myself do. We are being told by our employer and the government that our work is necessary for our economic recovery; I believe that it is high time that the provincial government treats our health and our lives as importantly as other workers.

For these reasons, I strongly encourage you to ask our provincial Labour Minister and Premier **that telecommunication technicians that do in-person work be put onto the priority worker list immediately.**

I ask for this so that all telecommunications technicians who work in contact with clients, can safely continue to serve and connect all Canadians.

I look forward to your response.

Sincerely,

(Your First Name and Family Name), (City)