## GOVERNMENT OF CANADA TO REQUIRE VACCINATION OF FEDERAL WORKFORCE AND FEDERALLY REGULATED TRANSPORTATION SECTOR

By now you may likely be aware that this afternoon, Friday the 13<sup>th</sup> of August, 2021, Canada's federal government announced a Covid-19 vaccination requirement for individuals working in the marine transportation sector and the federal public service. The <u>press release</u> stated that federal officials will be consulting with stakeholders including Bargaining Agents (unions) in the coming days, as they develop frameworks to implement this initiative. The Guild will participate in these consultations to emphasize that the vaccine policy needs to ensure that vaccines are more accessible to our members who have experienced difficulties obtaining vaccination, while also accommodating those individuals who have reasons not to be vaccinated.