THE LABOUR EDUCATION AND TRAINING RESEARCH NETWORK

Call for proposals Deadline: February 14, 2000

Network members are invited to submit funding proposals for projects to be carried out under the sponsorship of the Network. The Network is requesting proposals for research projects on three priority topics: 1) commercialisation and the role of the commercial, for-profit sector; 2) the position and role of the community based sector; and 3) devolution of training to the provinces and cross-provincial comparisons. Descriptions of the issues and research questions pertinent to each of the topics are provided in the attached document *Requests for Proposals*. The Network will also accept proposals outside these specified topics, but preference will be given to proposals that appropriately address the priority topics.

Proposals should follow the format outlined below. Normally, projects should be completed within 12 months of having received funding. Applicants are expected to present their research at the first appropriate conference. The Network will publish the results as Working Papers. For more details, please see the Network document on *Research Themes and Project Selection* or contact the Network Coordinator (see below).

A. Cover Page (1 page)

- 1. Title of proposed research project and précis (maximum 100 words) for public dissemination.
- 2. Name, signature and contact information (phone and fax numbers; email and postal addresses) of the lead researcher. Note that the lead researcher must be a member of the Network, hold an academic appointment at a Canadian post-secondary institution and be eligible for principal investigator status at that university or college.
- 3. Indicate the office and administrative officer of your institution that is responsible for administration of funds.
- 4. Approval from the appropriate Office of Research Administration/Services, where necessary.

B. Proposal (10 items: maximum 5 pages)

- 1. Title of Working Paper or Book Chapter.
- 2. Statement of the research issue to be investigated and summary of its policy and/or practical significance. Please indicate the most relevant 'mega-theme' identified in the attached "Research Themes and Project Selection."
- 3. Relevant literature review.
- 4. Describe research methods.

- 5. a) Specify collaboration planned within and among universities, colleges, unions, community groups;
 - b) Explain the respective roles of academics, and unions/community organisations within the project;
 - c) Identify the extent and type of student training to be provided.
- 6. Bibliographic references where appropriate.
- 7. Research work schedule and time line.*
- 8. A statement of applicant(s) qualifications.
- 9. Indicate which annual conference you expect to present your paper (2001).
- 10. A budget (maximum 1 page), utilising the following categories**:
 - a) Salaries (including benefits) students
 - b) Salaries to others (including benefits)
 - c) Professional and technical services/contracts
 - d) Equipment
 - e) Materials, supplies and other expenditures
 - f) Travel
 - g) Total

(Please be as detailed as possible about the nature of the proposed expenditures, e.g., # of hours and rate of pay for student assistants, # of research trips and distances, etc.)

- * Project researchers are expected to submit a working paper (and diskette) within 6 months of the completion of the funding period.
- ** Applicants are not required to budget for dissemination of the research results, since this will be done through the Network and the Centre for Research on Work and Society. SSHRCC imposes some limits on the types of expenditures that may be claimed. Please consult section IV of the attached document, "Research Themes and Project Selection", or contact the Network Coordinator for more detail.

Presentation and Submission Deadline: Grant applications must be word processed or typed so that they can be legibly photocopied. The total length of the application must be within the guidelines outlined above and must be page-numbered. They are to be submitted to the Network Coordinator by mail. Copies of proposals may be submitted by fax or email to meet the deadline, but an original must be received by regular post. To be considered, proposals must be postmarked no later than February 14, 2000.

Address proposals to:

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Please telephone or email the Coordinator to confirm receipt of application. Applicants will be informed of the results March 1, 2000. Principal researchers will receive notification of results via official letter.