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Grocery Workers Seek Protections for the Public and Themselves During Coronavirus Crisis

Wheat Ridge, CO -- United Food and Commercial Workers Union, Local 7, today contacted Colorado Governor, Jared Polis, in an effort to ensure the safety of Colorado’s food supply, the workforce that delivers it, and the general public. Local 7 President Kim Cordova requested Governor Polis a new executive order implemented needed changes to the first step emergency regulations enacted last week. President Cordova has stated, “The Union is actively attempting to collaborate and coordinate with Colorado’s employers to ensure an effective and safe response to this ever-changing crisis.” While some employers are doing the right thing by their employees, our state government must step in to ensure that the needs of Colorado’s citizenry and workforce are placed ahead of corporate profits.

Attached is a copy of President Cordova's communication to Governor Polis today.

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Background:

United Food and Commercial Workers Union, Local 7, a part of the United Food and Commercial Workers International Union, AFL-CIO, represents approximately 23,000 members who are employed by major grocers, meat processing plants and serving in Colorado's health care industry.