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CHARLESTON, IL --Professional Food Service Management (PFM), will not renew its contract to operate the food service in the University Union at Eastern Illinois University. The announcement was made jointly by Bill Clark, Union area head, and Bill Behling, food service director for PFM.

Clark said "there absolutely will be no interruption in service and all catering contracts will be honored. We will continue to accept reservations for catered events."

Clark said the date PFM will leave is undecided, but that "it will take place either at the end of the Spring Semester or at the end of the contract, which is June 30."

PFM assumed management of the Union Food Service last October. Prior to that the service was operated by the Union.

Behling said "the analysis of several factors leads us to believe this is the best option for PFM to take at this time. The primary factor is the lack of sales volume."

"I want to make it clear," Behling added, "that we have experienced nothing but support from University officials. We will do everything possible to make the transition a smooth one."

Future plans for the operation of the food service are under study.

"We expect to have a plan of action soon," Clark said, "and I feel very positive about the future of the Union food service."

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