



## Canadian Propane Association Helping Families Keep Comfortable and Safe this Winter

**OTTAWA, November 10, 2016** – The Canadian Propane Association (CPA) and propane retailers are spreading the word – now is the time for Canadians to fill their propane tanks in preparation for winter. After a warmer-than-normal winter last year, early predictions say that most of Canada is due for much colder weather in 2016-2017. To help Canadians prepare, the CPA has developed a list of steps propane users should be taking now to save money and reduce consumption. These initiatives are being driven by the propane industry’s commitment to keeping families warm and safe.

“Winter is peak demand season for propane, and early indicators from Environment Canada and the Farmer’s Almanac indicate that this season is expected to be a colder than average Canadian winter,” said CPA Executive Director, Andrea Labelle. “Propane distributors have secured supply, implemented monitoring systems to service customers, and over the years, have added storage capacity. As the national voice of Canada’s propane industry, we are encouraging Canadians to highlight the steps they can take now to stay warm and save money.”

To help Canadians develop a strategy for winter, the Canadian Propane Association is advising customers to fill their tanks early, make sure they have adequate supply, weatherproof windows and doors, embrace conservation practices such as lowering thermostats and reducing hot water consumption, consider purchasing a propane generator, install propane gas and carbon monoxide detectors, and perform seasonal maintenance on all heating systems and appliances.

“We want Canadians to be prepared. This means giving propane customers the tools they need to make informed decisions and meet the challenges of winter with confidence. By working together effectively, we can take some of the cold out of winter,” said Labelle.

For the full list of tips describing how propane users can prepare for winter (also provided on page 2), please visit [www.propane.ca](http://www.propane.ca).

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### **About the Canadian Propane Association**

With over 400 members, the Canadian Propane Association (CPA) is the national association for a growing, multi-billion dollar industry that impacts the livelihood of tens of thousands of Canadians. The CPA develops and produces industry training materials, offers an emergency response assistance plan to its members and provides advocacy services for the propane industry.

The CPA does not monitor or provide an analysis of propane prices or supply, and is not in a position to comment on individual businesses’ operations.

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