



Propane on the Hill Kicks off CPA Leadership Summit

OTTAWA, June 6, 2018 – The Canadian Propane Association (CPA) kicked off its 2018 Leadership Summit with a reception on Parliament Hill with guest speaker the Hon. Jim Carr, Minister of Natural Resources.

The Tuesday evening event provided an opportunity for CPA members from across Canada to meet with Ministers, Members of Parliament, and Senators to discuss issues that are important to the propane industry.

In his remarks, Minister Carr said, “The Government of Canada sees tremendous opportunities for propane as the world moves to a low-carbon future. Propane is a cleaner burning fuel with low infrastructure costs and competitive timelines for paying back the cost of conversion. It is also a safe, reliable and portable source of energy. These are exciting times for the more than 23,000 Canadians who work in this industry.”

CPA President and CEO Nathalie St-Pierre welcomed the Minister’s remarks and noted how important it is for the propane Industry to have an opportunity to hear from the Minister.

“Minister Carr understands the important role the propane industry can play as governments at all levels develop policies to reduce greenhouse gases,” said St-Pierre. “We look forward to continuing the conversation with Minister Carr and his Cabinet colleagues to ensure that propane is a central part of that discussion.”

CPA’s Leadership Summit plenary sessions being held today, June 6, will include a featured session about the importance of connecting with elected officials. Members will examine the importance of public office holders understanding the critical role members of the propane industry play in the local community. Insights will also be shared regarding how the propane industry can work with governments at the grassroots level.

Summit attendees will also get a premier look at the CPA-commissioned market study on the propane industry conducted by The Conference Board of Canada. Other panel discussions include how propane can fit into a green Canada, ways the propane industry can work with Indigenous communities as they look for solutions to replace oil and diesel, and how technology is playing a key role in advancing the auto propane industry. The day ends with marketing experts sharing modern media tools so the industry can better tell its story and get Canadians and government to think outside the BBQ.

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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. Our mission is to promote a safe and thriving propane industry that plays a vital role in Canada’s energy sector. To achieve this, we champion propane and the propane industry in Canada and facilitate best practices, safety and a favourable business environment through advocacy, training and emergency response.

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