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Premier Simpson
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Dear Premier Simpson,

On behalf of the Canadian Propane Association (CPA) and our 400 members, we offer you our sincere congratulations on your new tenure as Premier of the N.W.T. We support your message of creating good jobs, driving economic growth, advancing reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples, investing in critical infrastructure and a new era of governing. Your focus for the people of N.W.T aligns well with our objectives of providing reliable, affordable and low-emission energy for Canadians, many of whom live in rural and remote communities and currently rely on high-emission energy sources such as heating oil and diesel. We look forward to working with you and your government on how to reduce emissions while still ensuring the homes and communities of the N.W.T. have access to reliable and affordable energy.

CPA members have been supplying propane across the N.W.T. for decades, we are proud of the long-standing relationships we have with our customers and the communities we operate in. We know that energy needs are unique across the territories, and we are proud of the role that propane plays in providing affordable, reliable and low-emission energy for communities not connected to pipelines. Propane is a versatile energy source, hundreds of thousands of Canadians rely on propane in countless applications for their homes, businesses, farms and fleets, and over [4,400 homes in northern Canada](#) use propane as their main energy source.

We also support your message around carbon tax exemption for the N.W.T. We are concerned about already high costs for homes and communities in northern Canada, and we have been [encouraging the Federal Government to remove the GST off home heating](#) for the past several years. We look forward to working with your government on how we can align on reducing energy costs across the N.W.T. while working towards reducing overall emissions and achieving your ambitious climate goals. Katie Kachur, CPA's Vice President of Western Canada, will follow up with your office to initiate these important conversations.

Sincerely,

Shannon Watt,
President & CEO
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Cc: Katie Kachur, Vice President, Government Relations, Western Canada