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Dear NDP Caucus,

Congratulations on your election and forming the Government of British Columbia. We look forward to working with you and the new government to take bold action on climate change and advance British Columbia's position as a leader in the transition to a low-carbon 21st century economy.

The Energy Forum is a collaboration of British Columbian power producers, industry associations and non--government organizations that are working together to address the challenges and opportunities presented by the nexus of energy, climate and ecosystems. Its members support ambitious climate action policies that will transition B.C.'s infrastructure, vehicles and industries away from fossil fuels to become increasingly energy efficient and reliant on renewable energy, while minimizing impact on the environment.

Along with the overwhelming evidence of the social, economic and environmental threats posed by climate change, there is now growing commitment across all parties and all levels of government to address this critical issue. B.C. has an opportunity to renew its contribution to that emerging global solution and become a leader on climate change, while creating new jobs and economic opportunities for British Columbians.

The Energy Forum applauds your government's recent commitment to raising the BC carbon tax to \$35 in 2018. A strong and steadily increasing price on carbon is one of the most important tools available to take action on climate change. Additional measures are needed, however, to ensure that carbon pollution starts dropping and BC's regains its position as a climate leader.

BC's renewable energy industry can play a key role in supporting climate action in British Columbia and neighbouring jurisdictions by providing the clean electricity needed to transition to a low carbon clean tech economy. With the right set of policies, there is an opportunity to unlock new renewable energy



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projects, bringing jobs and economic opportunities to Indigenous and non-Indigenous communities in every corner of the province.

As the new government moves to implement new climate action measures, we urge moving forward in a timely manner to help get B.C. back on track, and support global momentum following the positive agreement in Paris. We remain committed to working with government on climate action — both in terms of further developing policy ideas and building support for implementation.

Bold action on climate change offers an enormous opportunity for the province to help contribute to global progress in the fight against climate change by demonstrating economic and environmental success stories close to home. We would welcome the opportunity to further discuss how we can work together to build a better British Columbia at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

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