

Sustainable Energy Solutions

October 5, 2009

The Honourable Dalton McGuinty Premier of Ontario Legislative Assembly Building Queen's Park, Toronto, Ontario

Dear Premier McGuinty,

On behalf of the Pembina Institute, and the constituents we represent, I would like to congratulate you and the Minister of Energy and Infrastructure on launching Canada's first comprehensive feed-in tariff program as part of the implementation of the Green Energy and Green Economy Act. As part of the Green Energy Act Alliance, we have been excited as this process has unfolded and are very pleased to see it come to fruition.

This bold step positions Ontario as a renewable energy leader in North America; an industry that not only reduces the environmental impact of our energy consumption, but also creates jobs in the new low-carbon economy. The success of feed-in tariff policies are well known around the world in sparking rapid renewable energy and green job growth and Ontario's leadership has set a high bar for the rest of Canada and North America to strive towards.

In addition to the feed-in tariff program, the Pembina Institute also applauds the four funds that were announced to support the involvement of communities and First Nations in renewable energy development to help ensure that the benefits of the green energy future are shared throughout the province.

Ontario's Green Energy and Green Economy Act along with the commitment to phase out coal use in Ontario are both important and commendable steps in the urgent and on-going battle against global climate change. We look forward to further working together to solve our climate change challenge.

Sincerely,

Marlo Raynolds, PhD Executive Director The Pembina Institute