

January 22, 2008

The Honourable Shawn Graham
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Dear Premier Graham,

I am writing to you in your capacity as Chair of the Council of the Federation. The National Union is pleased that the Council of the Federation is meeting next week for the *Forum on Climate Change Adaptation*. The Premiers have an exceptional opportunity to act on a number of different fronts to reduce greenhouse gases and mitigate the worst of the impacts from climate change.

The National Union promotes a comprehensive strategy that will allow Canada to meet emission reduction targets. Five key aspects of any climate change strategy should include:

1. energy efficiency standards,
2. the development of a green power grid,
3. slowing oil sands development,
4. setting hard caps on carbon emissions, and
5. creating a just transition for workers to a low carbon economy.

We urge you and other premiers to adopt this comprehensive plan.

A comprehensive strategy not only gets us to our short and long-term targets but it ensures an economically competitive Canada in a changing world. It provides communities with a healthy environment and the economic opportunity of green jobs.

Enclosed is a pamphlet outlining these key areas, plus a background paper on "Just Transition". Additional copies are available upon request.

Sincerely,

(original signed by)

James Clancy
National President

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cc. NUPGE National Executive Board Members