



October 27, 2020

The Honourable Sarah Guillemard
Minister of Conservation and Climate
344 Legislative Building
450 Broadway Avenue
Winnipeg MB
R3C 0V8

Re: Regulatory Proposal - Biofuels Mandate and Renewable Fuels in Manitoba

Dear Minister Guillemard,

The Manitoba Canola Growers Association (MCGA), the Canadian Canola Growers Association (CCGA) and the Canola Council of Canada (CCC) support the current regulatory proposal to amend *The Biofuels Act* that will update Manitoba's clean fuel standards. The canola industry - from the 7,500 Manitoba farmers through to value chain business leaders - **encourage your government to implement the proposed increase in the renewable content required in diesel fuel sold in the province from 2 to 5% effective January 1st, 2021.**

The canola industry fully supports your government's implementation of this policy as it is a tangible, proven and measurable way to:

- Decrease the environmental footprint from heavy-duty diesel vehicles with immediate greenhouse gas (GHG) reductions at a low cost;
- Diversify the market for canola farmers by creating new domestic demand for crops; and
- Increase the investment and job creation in Manitoba's processing sector resulting from the improved regulatory stability.

Canola sees this as a "win-win-win" for the environment, farmers and the economy and we support your demonstration of provincial leadership on this file, once again positioning Manitoba as the jurisdiction with the strongest volumetric requirement for biofuel in Canada. We are available to assist your government as required as you move towards implementation.

Sincerely,

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Rick White
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The Honourable Brian Pallister, Premier of Manitoba
The Honourable Blaine Pederson, Minister of Agriculture and Resource Development
The Honourable Ralph Eichler, Minister of Economic Development and Training