
November 25, 2015

The Honourable Kathleen Wynne
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and

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Re: Intergovernmental Partnership for Climate Action

Dear Premiers:

As we approach the 21st Conference Of the Parties to the United Nations Framework on Climate Change the Association of Municipalities of Ontario and the Union of Quebec Municipalities (UQM) have committed to work together on climate action. This cooperation will include sharing of best practices, policy ideas and advocacy for the tools and support to enable our members to achieve their climate related goals.

Municipalities have long been leaders in climate action. As you know, while climate change is a challenge that affects the entire world some of the most potent solutions are local. Municipal governments in Ontario and Quebec have invested to reduce greenhouse gases as well as those that protect our communities and local economies from the effects of severe weather and a changing climate. To meet climate goals more of these efforts will be needed and we believe that the commendable leadership your governments have shown on climate change should help to increase these local efforts.

We are ready to do more, and to collaborate with your governments and the Government of Canada to reach our common climate action goals. AMO and UQM are calling on you to work with us in an Intergovernmental Partnership for Climate Action that:

- **Gives municipalities adequate, stable and long-term funding resources to invest in greenhouse gas reduction initiatives in our communities such as public transit and active transportation, public and private building energy efficiency; water conservation, planning development and other programs;**

- **Recognizes municipal projects that reduce greenhouse gases for offset credits in Cap and Trade programs;**
- **Provides dedicated funding for climate change adaptation to help municipalities provide resilient infrastructure to keep our economies and communities functioning and productive; and**
- **Provides tools to help facilitate and transfer knowledge regarding greenhouse gas reduction and climate adaptation projects.**

We believe that this partnership will be critical to meet our collective commitments on climate change and the targets your governments have committed to for greenhouse gas reduction. Please join us.

Sincerely,



Gary McNamara
President



Suzanne Roy
President

cc: The Honourable Glen Murray, Minister of Environment and Climate Change
The Honourable David Heurtel, Minister of Sustainable Development, Environment and the Fight against Climate Change