

June 23, 2009

Hon. George Groeneveld  
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Minister Groeneveld:

The Alberta Chambers of Commerce (ACC) recently held our 2009 Provincial Conference where 24 new policies were adopted, including two new ones directly related to your ministry.

The new policies are:

- *Common-sense approach to food safety; and*
- *Support to ranchers in the removal of specified risk material.*

ACC has two other previously approved provincial agriculture policies:

- *Enhance domestic markets and recapture closed international markets for agriculture production; and*
- *Grown-in-Canada label: Marketing Alberta's livestock*

We are seeking written responses from your ministry on these policies by August 14, 2009, as that timeline allows us to report to our members. We will also post the responses on our website.

Minister Groeneveld, you have been generous with your time, and we hope to continue the positive relationship we have built with you. We would appreciate scheduling a meeting with you to discuss our policies, as well as issues of particular interest to you.

We look forward to hearing from you,



Don Oszli, FCA, CA, CIA, CMA  
Chair

Ken Kobly, FCGA  
President and CEO

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Enclosures