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Re: Senate public hearings on Bill C-69

Dear Ms Fortin,

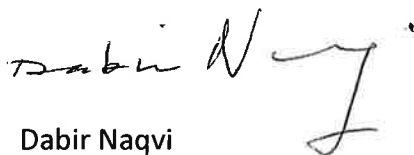
I am writing today on behalf of the Lloydminster Chamber of Commerce and our 535 member businesses requesting that Standing Committee reviewing Bill C-69 would consider holding a Public Input Hearing in the City of Lloydminster AB/SK. The bi-provincial nature of Lloydminster and its strategic location between Edmonton and Saskatoon would allow individuals as well as organizations from both provinces and all industries equal access to the hearing.

At a time when our economy and oil industry is struggling, we should not be creating an uncertain regulatory environment. Investors are pulling out of Canada and Alberta. Companies are moving south of the border. We are losing jobs and our economy is struggling. We have seen first hand that when the oil industry struggles, all our businesses in our region struggle. We have lost many businesses in Lloydminster in the past few years due to the economy including bakeries, manufacturers, welders, etc. And many others are hanging on by a thread. We need to create a favourable climate for business to flourish rather than a burdensome and uncertain regulator environment.

We respectfully request for our members to have the opportunity to appear before the Senate Standing Committee of Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources regarding Bill C-69 in Lloydminster AB/SK.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of my/our request.

Regards,



Dabir Naqvi
Chamber President