



Dear Mr. O'Toole,
Dear Members of Parliament,

The "Well Made Here" organization congratulates Erin O'Toole and all elected Members of Parliament who will again form the official opposition party at the House of Commons.

As you probably know, prior to the election we wrote to the leaders of the contending parties to know where they stood regarding the issues we are tackling, namely domestic design and manufacturing of materials that meet residential building standards, as well as their purchase and use by citizens, contractors, and institutions, including the government itself.

More houses and other buildings built and renovated with materials that meet standards and originating from production plants operating here in Canada translates to well-paid manufacturing jobs, to the retention of socio-economic activity in the region and in the reduction of greenhouse gases through shorter supply chains.

We were delighted to learn about the Conservative Party of Canada's position. Here, by the way, are some highlights of the response we received in a letter bearing Mr. O'Toole's signature and sent to us by Mathieu Dumont, Advisor – Stakeholder Relations, on behalf of your political party:

- We should have more "Made in Canada" and less "Made in China" when it comes to strengthening and sustaining our manufacturing sector.
- We want to keep the revenues of manufacturers here in Canada, reduce our dependence on imports and ensure we have a stable supply chain in case of an emergency. This will include creating a strategy of repatriation and diversification of supply chains, specifically moving them away from China.
- We will also thoroughly review supply chain legislation to significantly enforce Canada's commitment not to import products known to be made with slave labor and immediately ban imports of products made with Uyghur slave labor.
- To support Canadian manufacturing, ensure we are the most tax-competitive jurisdiction when it comes to innovation.



We'd like to add that Ms. Zia Choudhary the candidate for Scarborough - Rouge Park, though not elected, took the time to write us the following message: "I believe local businesses that promote "Make in Canada" are the backbone of the Canadian economy and will be vital to our economic recovery. Once elected, let's discuss further on this topic. "

As you can see by reading all the responses received (<https://www.ici-here.ca/election-the-importance-parties-place-on-canadian-materials/>), all the other parties, in terms and through ideas that differ from yours, with the exception Mr. Maxime Bernier's party, welcome the idea of positively discriminating in favour of Canadian-made materials that comply with residential building codes and standards.

The group of manufacturers we represent, operating more than 160 production sites spread out across Canada and already supported by a retail network of approximately 2,300 points of sale, is counting on your party, though it resumes its status as the official opposition, to support the re-elected government in the event it endorses our organization, this for the benefit of all Canadians.

A partnership between our organization and the Government of Canada is possible given that all the parties with elected Members of Parliament who are represented at the House of Commons appear to support our purpose and our projects.

For all these reasons, dear Member of Parliament, as soon as the government is formed, we will be approaching, in particular, ministers with portfolios relating to the economy, regions, international trade, heritage, and infrastructure.

We respectfully offer our best wishes as the new term begins.

Sincerely,

Richard Darveau
President and CEO