

Advanced Biofuels Canada Comments on Prime Minister Carney's Temporary Suspense of the Federal Fuel Excise Tax

OTTAWA, ON, CANADA, April 15, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Ottawa, ON, April 14, 2026 – Advanced Biofuels Canada Association (ABFC) comments on Prime Minister Mark Carney's [announcement temporarily suspending the federal fuel excise tax](#) on gasoline, diesel, and aviation fuel. This measure will add to the savings Canadians already receive from the

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integration of clean, renewable liquid fuels into the fuel supply, which are helping to lower emissions while supporting affordability at the pump. This comes at a pivotal time, as Canadians face growing exposure to unpredictable global energy markets beyond their control.

“Canadians should not be penalized for making cleaner, lower-carbon fuel choices”, said Fred Ghatala, President of ABFC. “This suspension will help to ease cost pressures at

the pump while maintaining progress toward a cleaner energy future.”

Biofuels are already delivering tangible cost savings to Canadians. According to the latest [Biofuels in Canada report](#), ethanol – blended into nearly all gasoline sold in Canada, was 7.4 cents per litre less expensive than gasoline in 2024, directly lowering fuel prices.

This price advantage translates into real savings: ethanol blending reduced wholesale gasoline costs by \$1.7 billion in 2024 alone, and by more than \$13.2 billion cumulatively since 2010. “These are not theoretical benefits – biofuels are actively reducing fuel costs for Canadians today,” added Ghatala. “Policies that support their use help shield consumers from volatile global oil markets.”

Beyond affordability, biofuels play a critical role in strengthening Canada's energy security. By leveraging domestically produced feedstocks such as canola, corn, and agricultural residues, Canada can reduce its exposure to international fossil fuel supply disruptions and price shocks.

A diversified fuel mix, one that includes biofuels, provides greater resilience in the face of geopolitical uncertainty. Recent global energy disruptions have demonstrated that fuel systems

reliant on a single energy source are more vulnerable to sudden price spikes and supply constraints.

“Canada’s energy future must be both clean and secure,” said Ghatala. “Biofuels are a made-in-Canada solution that diversifies supply, supports rural economies, and reduces emissions, all while lowering costs.”

As the government moves forward with broader affordability and energy policies, ABFC encourages continued progress towards increasing low-carbon fuels use that deliver real economic benefits to Canadians.

“Today’s announcement is an important step,” Ghatala concluded. “Maintaining a strong, diversified fuel economy – including biofuels – will be essential to ensuring long-term affordability, energy security, and economic resilience for Canada.”

About the Advanced Biofuels Canada Association:

Advanced Biofuels Canada (ABFC) is the national industry voice for producers, distributors, and technology providers for lower carbon and sustainable fuel replacements to gasoline, diesel, marine, and jet fuels. ABFC members produce a portfolio of liquid clean fuels sustainable feedstocks, and intermediary products. Members also produce and consume low carbon gaseous products, such as renewable natural gas (RNG) and low carbon hydrogen, and are engaged with carbon capture, utilization, and storage technologies. ABFC members operate over 45 billion litres of low carbon fuel.

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