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**Ottawa** - Conservative Member of Parliament Brad Trost (Saskatoon-Humboldt) today announced, with the full endorsement of Leader Stephen Harper, the formation of the Conservative Energy Caucus.

“The Conservative Party has recognized the need for a framework to meet Canada’s ever increasing demand for energy,” said Trost, Energy Caucus Chair.

Trost explained: “The mandate of the Conservative Energy Caucus is threefold: to identify practical areas of improvement such as ways to implement smart regulations to reduce duplication; create a forum for local and regional issues to be brought to the attention of national caucus; and create a formal structure for stakeholders to provide their input on federal energy policies.”

Energy Caucus members include Members of Parliament John Duncan (Natural Resources Critic), Rona Ambrose (Intergovernmental Affairs Critic), Jay Hill (House Leader), Ted Menzies (International Cooperation Critic), Jim Prentice (Indian Affairs and Northern Development Critic); James Rajotte (Industry Critic), Norm Doyle (National Caucus Chair), Rob Anders; James Bezan; Colin Carrie; Dave Chatters; Michael Chong; Ken Epp; Art Hanger; Jeremy Harrison; Brian Jean; Gerry Ritz and Werner Schmidt.

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