

MEMBERS VOTE YES TO FORM A NEW ASSOCIATION!

As per Alert 51, members of the Propane Gas Association of Canada (PGAC) and the Ontario Propane Association (OPA) have voted yes to the question of creating a new, unified national association, to be up and running for January 1, 2011.

Every effort will be made to keep members fully apprised. You can expect updates via alerts, bulletins, the PGAC website, this newsletter, and Propane Canada magazine.

At any time, your questions can be directed to the following two PGAC representatives on the Transition Working Group:

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BULLETIN C-03 REVISIONS CIRCULATED

In follow-up to Alert 12 in February, Measurement Canada circulated for comments, in July, Revision 4 of Bulletin C-03, "Filling of Liquefied Propane Gas Cylinders."

Bulletin C-03 outlines, amongst other things, Measurement Canada's policy with respect to the retail sale of clerk-served propane gas cylinder refills and

reflects the feedback provided by the industry in recent months.

The new Bulletin is expected to come into effect in October. Further information will be forthcoming as it becomes available.

PLANS HAVE NOT CHANGED!

Preparations for a National Propane Government Day, Conference, Tradeshow, and Golf Tournament on June 7 through 10, 2011, in Ottawa's National Capital Region area are currently moving ahead as planned.

CALL FOR SPEAKERS EXTENDED!

In May, the PGAC issued a [Call for Speakers](#) for the 2011 National Conference to be held next June at the Hilton Lac-Leamy Hotel and Casino in Gatineau, Quebec (across the river from Ottawa's Parliament Hill).

The deadline for speaking proposals was originally **July 31, but has been extended to September 15** with the news of a new association in the works.

If there is someone you'd like to hear speaking at the conference, be sure to pass along the [Call for Speakers](#) information! Go to the [event webpage](#) for more about the 2011 national events.

INDUSTRY NEWS

Go to [All About Propane/ Industry News](#) on the PGAC website for these and **other stories**:

- [Visit Propaneville Farms, A Virtual Demonstration Farm](#) – an on-line farm showing agricultural customers the range of uses for propane, using 12 pieces of propane equipment in six different areas of a farm.
- [New BCSA Fee Schedules Include New HST](#) - On July 1, the BC Safety Authority (BCSA) posted new fee schedules on their website. They indicate for which fees the new Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) applies.
- [Alberta Safety Codes Council and Alberta Safety Services release the Summer edition of Partners Newsletter.](#)

ALTERNATIVE SAFETY APPROACHES IN BC

As per Alert 49, the government of B.C. has made changes to the BC Safety Standards Act, introducing *Alternative Safety Approaches*. Propane industry members have been invited to consultation sessions on the issue in July and August.

Specific dates and times are shown in the alert which is archived on the PGAC website in the secure members' area.

PERC SMARTBRIEF – WORTH SIGNING UP FOR!

The Propane Education and Research Council (PERC) now offers a new, free, daily news service called **PERC SmartBrief**, delivered to your email in-box.

It's the best propane-related news service available in North America, covering Canadian news outlets too! To sign up, [click here](#).

ALBERTA SEMINAR & KANDLELIGHTERS' GOLF

Upcoming are the Alberta events on September 10-12. [Click here](#) for the brochure. Key deadlines include:

- Early Bird Draw for seminar delegates - **August 7**.
- Special hotel rates are in effect until **August 9**.
- Kandlelighters' golf registrations are due by **August 18**.

More details are on the [event webpage](#), including [on-line seminar registration](#).

PRICE CHECK

[Fuel price survey](#) (¢/litre),
propane vs. gasoline:
63.0 vs. 102.9

B.C. SEMINAR & GOLF!

Also coming soon is the BC Provincial Propane Committee's half day seminar and 18 holes of golf on Tuesday, **September 14**

at the Fort Langley Golf Club, in Fort Langley, BC.

AUG 1 EARLY BIRD!

B.C. Seminar registrations received **by August 1, 2010** are eligible for the Early Bird Fee - \$150.00 per golfer. Seminar registrations received after August 1, 2010 are \$200.00 per golfer. The [registration form](#) and additional details are available on the [event webpage](#).

UPDATE YOUR PROFILE

With plenty of changes coming, now is a great time to ensure your PGAC profile is accurate and complete.

Make sure your contact information on file is up-to-date and that you are signed up for the distribution lists you want, and not the ones you don't!

To do so, log into the secure members' area of the PGAC website and use the *Profile* menu. Click here for a handy [Guide to Managing Your PGAC Profile](#) for step-by-step instructions.

PROPANE CAREERS

There is a new listing on the [PGAC Careers](#) webpage for a **Propane Gas Fitter Apprentice with Federated Co-operatives Limited** in Yorkton, Saskatchewan. This is in addition to four other previously-noted opportunities listed that remain open and posted. Send in your job postings to info@propanegas.ca.

UPCOMING 2010

Sep 10-11: PGAC Alberta Seminar and Kandlelighters' Golf Tournament, Red Deer / Innisfail. Visit the event website to register:

[All About Propane / Events](#)

Sep 14: PGAC BC Seminar and Golf Tournament, Fort Langley. Visit the event website to register:

[All About Propane / Events](#)

Sep 17: Teleconference meeting of the National / Technical Regulatory Committee.

Sep 22: Meeting of the PGAC Board of Directors, Calgary.

Sep 23: Meeting of the Atlantic Committee, as well as the annual Atlantic Golf tournament.

Sep 27: Meeting of the BC Committee, Coquitlam.

Oct 13: Meeting of the Manitoba Committee.

For meeting details: **Natalie Stenberg**: 403.543.6519, nstenberg@propanegas.ca.

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MEETING MINUTES

Meeting minutes now available in the members' area of the PGAC website include: **June 16 Manitoba Committee** meeting; **June 23** teleconference meeting of the **National Technical/Regulatory Committee**. Note: June 29 meeting of the Atlantic Committee was cancelled.