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Dear Senator Mitchell,

On behalf of the Canadian Energy Pipeline Association (CEPA) I would like to offer sincere congratulations on all your efforts towards making the federal underground infrastructure safety legislation (Bill S-229) a reality.

The safety and integrity of transmission pipelines are critical to the oil and gas industry, and our members work diligently to ensure their pipeline systems are safe and reliable. Damage prevention is a shared responsibility and CEPA member companies are committed to working with all stakeholders in the development of a strong regulatory framework that complements our industry-wide goal of zero incidents. We believe that Bill S-229 is an important step toward this objective as it will help immeasurably in solidifying damage prevention criteria, built around one-call requirements.

CEPA would like to offer its full support for the Bill as it moves through the legislative process and would welcome the opportunity to provide further comments regarding its importance to the transmission pipeline industry. Again, thank you for all your hard work in making this important safety legislation a reality!

Yours sincerely,

Chris Bloomer  
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