

## **MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION OF CANADA**

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## **Member Bulletin**

To: MCA Canada Members

From: Gaetan Beaulieu, Chairman

**Subject:** Federal Election 2015

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The much anticipated 2015 Federal Election was formally announced on Sunday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> during the high point of Canadian summer. The election call formalized what had already been a campaign-like environment, as the political parties prepared for the pre-set election date of October 19, 2015.

This election period is surprising in that it is the longest-running election campaign since the Victorian Era and modern voting. The 78-day campaign will be almost twice as long as the average previous campaign periods.

MCA Canada, working with the National Trade Contractors Coalition of Canada (NTCCC), has an existing election strategy in place and was well prepared for the early election call. As such, the Coalition will be launching several key election-related advocacy tools, including:

- A website for trade contractors to send letters of support for prompt payment legislation to party leaders and local candidates—www.promptpayment.ca
- A toolkit to support members in local advocacy efforts with candidates in their riding
- Submissions to party election platform committees

NTCCC will also be monitoring election activity for related issues and updating members as needed.

In the coming days, members will be hearing from MCA Canada and we look forward to engaging you in our election grassroots advocacy.

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