



**“MCA Canada & CIPH Join Forces to Build Efficiently
Together for the Industry”
Parliament Hill, April 10-11, 2017**



The Canadian Institute of Plumbing & Heating (CIPH) and the Mechanical Contractors Association of Canada (MCA Canada) jointly held another highly successful Parliamentary Day of Awareness on April 10-11, 2017 in Ottawa sponsored by Senator Donald Plett. Key executives of both associations met with numerous senior officials and Parliamentarians to enhance the profile of the industry in government circles and discuss two key items of mutual concern, specifically the need for Prompt Payment Legislation in Canada (Bill S-224) and Uniform and Harmonized Model Codes and Regulations for Canada & Canada/USA.



The 2017 Day on the Hill team from CIPH and MCA Canada

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Parliamentarians and other key officials that were met with included:

- Phillip Rizcallah, Director, Canadian Codes Center, Andre Laroche Manager Technical Solutions (Codes Manager), Patrique Tardif, Technical Advisor - Plumbing Code, National Research Council
- Eva Berton, Analyst, Allan Wilson, Executive Director, Jeannine Richot, Director General, Mary Catherine Lindberg, Director of Policy, Regulatory Cooperation Council
- Patricia Fuller, Director General, Jay Kosla, Assistant Deputy Minister, Katherine Delves, Chief, Standards Development, Natural Resources Canada
- Jonathan Nellis, Economic Officer, U.S. Department of State, United States Embassy
- Mike Bossio, MP, Hastings-Lennox and Addington
- Ziad Aboultaif, MP, Edmonton –Manning
- Chris Bittle, MP, St. Catharines
- Ted Falk, MP, Provencher
- Dr. Robert Kitchen, MP, Souris-Moose Mountain
- Dave Van Kesteren, MP, Chatham-Kent-Leamington
- Daniel Blaikie, MP, Elmwood-Transcona
- Kim Rudd, MP, Northumberland-Peterborough South
- Omar Alghabra, MP, Mississauga Centre
- Cheryl Hardcastle, MP, Windsor-Tecumseh
- Brenda Shanahan, MP, Chateauguay-Lacolle
- Tracey Ramsey, MP, Essex
- Terry Sheehan, MP, Sault Ste. Marie
- Celina Caesar-Chavannes, MP, Whitby
- Glen Motz, MP, Medicine Hat-Cardston-Warner
- Rachel Blaney, MP, North Island-Powell River
- Seamus O'Regan, MP, St. John's South-Mount Pearl

- David Sweet, MP, Flamborough-Glanbrook
- Elizabeth May, MP, Saanich-Gulf Islands
- Carol Hughes, MP, Algoma-Manitoulin-Kapuskasung
- Brad Trost, MP, Saskatoon-University
- Policy and Stakeholder Staff, Office of the Hon. Rona Ambrose, Leader of the Opposition
- Larry Maguire, MP, Brandon-Souris
- Staff of Larry Bagnell, MP, Yukon
- Anthony Rota, MP, Nipissing-Tamiskaming
- Parvinder Sachdeva, Policy Advisor to the Hon. Navdeep Bains, Minister of ISED
- David Yurdiga, MP, Fort McMurray-Cold Lake
- Staff of Majid Jowhari, MP, Richmond Hill
- Kelly Block, MP, Carlton Trail-Eagle Creek
- Julie Dzerowicz, MP, Davenport
- Rodger Cuzner, MP, Cape Breton-Canso
- Marwan Tabbara, MP, Kitchener South-Hespeler
- Ken Hardie, MP, Fleetwood-Port Kells
- Alexander Nuttall, MP, Barrie–Springwater–Oro-Medonte

By engaging with so many influential officials and elected representatives, CIPH and MCAC were able to drive home our positions on the need for Prompt Payment Legislation and for Uniform and Harmonized Model Codes and Regulations for Canada & Canada/USA. In addition, these meetings served to further reinforce the status of both associations as the “go-to voice” for regulators, government officials and other key influencers who deal with issues affecting our industry.

“This initiative is a powerful demonstration of the strength of CIPH in representing the Industry in front of those making important regulatory decisions that impact all of us. 2017’s event resulted in new contacts, fresh, innovative ideas and tangible progress on several priority issues for CIPH and MCA Canada. An outstanding ‘Day on the Hill!’” – CIPH Chairman, Bill Palamar (Weil McLain Canada).

The CIPH/MCA Canada Parliamentary Day of Awareness is a joint event held annually on Parliament Hill in Ottawa. Click [here](#) for a complete copy of the CIPH/MCA Canada Parliamentary Day of Awareness Briefing Document.

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About MCA Canada: The [Mechanical Contractors Association of Canada](#) (MCAC) is a national, non-profit federation of autonomous provincial associations working for the betterment and advancement of the trade and mechanical contracting industry in Canada. Established in 1895, MCAC is a vibrant and diverse national association serving the needs of mechanical contractors of all sizes engaged in such disciplines as plumbing, heating, ventilation, air conditioning, controls systems, medical gases, welding, and fire suppression primarily within the industrial, commercial and institutional sectors. With offices in each province and 15 regional offices in Ontario, the MCAC is Canada’s largest trade contractor Association.

About CIPH: The [Canadian Institute of Plumbing & Heating](#) (CIPH), founded in Montreal in 1933, is a not-for-profit trade association that is committed to providing members with the tools for success in today’s competitive environment. More than 260 companies are members of this influential Canadian industry association. They are the manufacturers, wholesaler distributors, master distributors, manufacturers’ agents, and allied companies who manufacture and distribute plumbing, heating, hydronics, pipe, valves & fittings, waterworks, and other mechanical products. CIPH wholesalers operate more than 700 warehouses and showrooms across Canada. Total industry sales exceed \$6 billion annually.