

PRESS RELEASE

CPMA Welcomes New Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food

March 1, 2019 (OTTAWA, ON) – The Canadian Produce Marketing Association (CPMA) congratulates Minister Marie-Claude Bibeau on her appointment as Canada's Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food. CPMA will continue to work closely with the Minister and her staff on important files impacting the fresh produce industry, including tax reform, a Food Policy for Canada, food safety, payment protection for produce sellers, and labour.

"The fresh produce supply chain is an important economic driver in Canada," said CPMA President Ron Lemaire. "CPMA looks forward to meeting with Minister Bibeau to discuss how we can continue growing the economy while ensuring that we remain competitive as an industry."

CPMA would also like to thank Minister Lawrence MacAulay for his years of service as Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food and his steadfast support of the fresh produce industry in Canada. CPMA wishes Minister MacAulay well in his new role as Minister of Veterans Affairs.

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About the Canadian Produce Marketing Association (CPMA):

Based in Ottawa, Ontario, CPMA is a not-for-profit organization that represents a diverse membership made up of every segment of the produce industry supply chain who are responsible for 90% of the fresh fruit and vegetable sales in Canada. CPMA is fortunate to represent a sector that is both a significant economic driver for communities and that also improves the health and productivity of Canadians.