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IBEW Canada's Response to Prime Minister's Climate Plan Announcement

IBEW International Vice President Tom Reid issued the following statement on Prime Minister Justin Trudeau's announcement of Canada's strengthened Climate Plan:

"I welcome the Prime Minister's leadership in announcing this important plan to tackle climate change while also supporting good-paying jobs and working families.

"The highly skilled members of the IBEW are trained and ready to take on these important jobs, and the government's commitment to investing in green buildings and retrofits, electrified public and private transportation and grid modernization will require exactly the sort of knowledge and skills that IBEW members demonstrate on the job every day.

"The IBEW's electrical training and apprenticeships are second-to-none, and the jobs created by this ambitious plan will help contribute to training Canada's next generation of skilled electrical workers.

"We stand committed to working alongside the government in helping Canadians and Canadian businesses reach our climate goals and protect our environment for future generations."

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The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers represents approximately 70,000 members in Canada and 775,000 members and retirees in North America who work in a wide variety of fields, including construction, utilities, manufacturing, telecommunications, broadcasting, railroads and government.