

June 23, 2025

Chair Leonard Hiebert Peace River Regional District Box 810 Dawson Creek, BC V1G 4H8

Dear Chair Hiebert:

Re: 2025 NCLGA Resolution(s)

UBCM is in receipt of the attached resolution(s) endorsed by your Board. Your resolution(s) received endorsement at the 2025 NCLGA Spring Convention, either by the membership, or if referred to the NCLGA Executive for their consideration.

As such, the resolution(s) will be included in UBCM Resolutions Book for the 2025 UBCM Convention in September.

Please contact Jamee Justason, Resolutions and Policy Analyst, if you have any questions about this process, email: jjustason@ubcm.ca.

Sincerely,

Councillor Trish Mandewo UBCM President

Enclosure

Balanced Emissions Policies

Peace River RD

Whereas British Columbia's natural gas sector has taken significant actions to address emissions, including a 47% reduction in methane emissions from 2014 to 2021, while continuing to grow production and economic contributions;

And whereas a sectoral emissions cap would restrict upstream natural gas production, discourage investment, and shift development to jurisdictions with weaker environmental regulations, resulting in job losses and no meaningful net reduction in global emissions:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM urge the provincial government to not implement a sectoral emissions cap and instead collaborate with industry to develop balanced, competitive emissions policies that support investment while maintaining environmental progress.

Natural Gas and Liquified Natural Gas Strategy

Whereas the global energy landscape is rapidly evolving due to geopolitical shifts that are redefining energy security, trade, and competitiveness for decades to come;

And whereas British Columbia must position itself as a leader in responsible natural gas development to attract investment, create jobs, and strengthen its role as a secure supplier of low emission Liquified Natural Gas (LNG), recognizing that the transition from fossil fuels to renewable energy cannot occur overnight:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM urge the provincial government to develop an integrated natural gas value-chain and export strategy to strengthen infrastructure and policies that support the entire value chain - from upstream production to processing and export.

Efficient Resource Permitting

Peace River RD, Fort St. John

Whereas land-use uncertainty, cumulative effects policies, and lengthy permitting timelines delay resource projects, discourage investment, and limit economic opportunities for communities across British Columbia;

And whereas an efficient and predictable permitting process is necessary to support responsible resource development while ensuring certainty for communities and industry:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM urge the provincial government to streamline land-use and permitting processes by ensuring timely decision-making, aligning cumulative effects policies with economic priorities, and providing long-term regulatory certainty.

Industrial Electrification Expansion

Whereas electrification of industrial operations presents an opportunity to help meet British Columbia's climate objectives and grow British Columbia's resource sectors;

And whereas inadequate grid capacity, slow interconnection processes, and high industrial power rates are major barriers to electrification, delaying projects and increasing costs:

Therefore be it resolved that UBCM urge the provincial government to expand grid capacity, streamline interconnection processes, and ensure competitive industrial power rates to support industrial electrification.