

Town of Saltcoats

March 28th, 2024

Dear Prime Minister Trudeau and Honorable Liberal MPs,

I hope this letter finds you in good health and high spirits. I am writing to you today with urgent concerns regarding the recent decisions to **increase the carbon tax**. While this decision may seem prudent from a broader perspective, I must emphasize the significant negative impact they will have on a small town like ours, which comprises of 473 residents.

Our small town faces unique challenges, particularly concerning economic stability and affordability. Many of our residents' struggle to make ends meet on a daily basis, with the high costs of living, bills, and taxes already stretching their budgets to the limit. The decision to increase the carbon tax will only add to their financial burden. As prices rise for goods and services, our residents, already struggling to pay their bills and taxes, will find it increasingly difficult to keep up.

In essence, the impact of this decision threatens to make life unaffordable for the residents of our small town. They are not just numbers on a spreadsheet but individuals and families who rely on prudent governance to ensure their well-being and prosperity. As elected representatives of the people, it is your duty to consider the real-life implications of policy decisions on communities like ours.

Therefore, I implore you to reconsider this decision and seek alternative solutions that prioritize the needs of small-town residents. It is crucial that the government takes a more balanced approach that acknowledges the unique challenges faced by communities like ours and ensures that policies are equitable and sustainable.

I urge you to engage in dialogue with representatives from small towns across Canada to better understand their concerns and work collaboratively towards solutions that benefit all Canadians, regardless of their postal code or population size.

Thank you for taking the time to consider the concerns of our small town. I trust that you will act in the best interests of all Canadians and strive to create a fairer and more prosperous future for everyone.

Sincerely,
Mayor and Council for the Town of Saltcoats