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Luc Erjavec  
Vice President - Atlantic Canada  
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Dear Luc,

I would like to thank you and the Canadian Restaurant and Foodservices Association for the invitation to attend the ApEx Tradeshow. It was a great chance for my Cabinet colleagues and me to meet restaurateurs and foodservice suppliers as well as gain a better understanding of the significant role played by the foodservice industry in this province.

This government understands the significant contribution of the foodservice industry to the economic and social fabric of this province. However, the ApEx Tradeshow visit helped to shine a light on the valuable direct economic spin-offs of your industry on a wide array of the province's manufacturers, farmers, distributors, processors and service industries.

I understand foodservice has seen a downturn and the industry have struggled in the last few years. The industry has demonstrated its resilience and ability to meet challenges by embracing innovation and change. CRFA has been at the forefront and has been a tireless advocate on behalf of its members. I value the information and research provided to me and I can assure you of my willingness to build on this strong relationship in order to make New Brunswick a better place to live, work and visit.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bruce Fitch".

Hon. R. Bruce Fitch  
MLA for Riverview