"The Dairy Farmers of Canada are commended for their leadership and progressiveness in their proAction Initiative, in particular for the development of a program for assessment of animal welfare on all Canadian dairy farms. This is momentous initiative for the Canadian dairy industry, as this program will assist in ensuring that Canadian dairy farmers are compliant with science-based standards of housing and management conducive to good dairy cattle welfare. For me it has been a pleasure to contribute to the development of this assessment program. I look forward to continuing to contribute to this program as it is operationalized."

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