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Mr. Tim Hudak Leader of the Official Opposition Room 381, Legislative Building Queen's Park Toronto, Ontario M7A 1A8

Re: Open letter from Premier Kathleen Wynne to Tim Hudak

Dear Mr. Hudak

During your press conference on March 27<sup>th</sup> you made several false, misleading and defamatory allegations about me. You alleged that I personally "oversaw and possibly ordered the criminal destruction of documents" and that criminal conduct took place in my office. The Ontario Progressive Conservative Party repeated these false allegations on its website and in a public mailing.

These allegations and accusations are false and utterly unsupported, and you ought to know it.

As political leaders it is our role and public duty to engage in spirited political debate on issues. The decision to relocate the gas plants and the facts related to the ongoing police investigation are legitimate subjects for this political debate. False, misleading and defamatory statements are not, and they represent the worst kind of politics. That is why I am writing this open letter to you.

There should be no tolerance for false and defamatory accusations as a means to gain political power.

I am asking you and your caucus to immediately stop repeating these untrue statements and to immediately remove them from the PC Party website and all other communications.

I have sought and obtained legal advice regarding your comments, and if steps are not taken immediately, I will have no choice but to take all necessary and appropriate steps to ensure your false statements are corrected.

Kathleen Wynne Premier of Ontario

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