

## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

## Credit card fees, regulatory concerns top convenience sectors 2018 federal budget recommendations

CCSA looks to build on federal tax measures outlined during small business week

TORONTO, October 19, 2017 – Building off this week's positive tax measures announced by the federal government for small businesses, the Canadian Convenience Stores Association (CCSA) will appear today before the House of Commons Standing Committee on Finance in Windsor to recommend measures for the upcoming federal budget to help convenience retailers become more productive and competitive.

CCSA president, Satinder Chera will recommend specific measures to compliment this week's announcements, including the need to address the high cost of credit card fees on retailers, while also calling for urgent action to address the illegal tobacco market and encouraging open dialogue with the convenience channel on supporting healthy communities. "We look forward to working with the federal government to support Canada's 27,000 convenience retailers," said Chera. "We hope the momentum from this week's positive announcements will carry through into the federal budget for our retailers."

Chera's testimony is scheduled to begin today at 10:45 am in the Great Lakes Ballroom at the Best Western PLUS at 277 Riverside Drive in Windsor, Ontario.

For more information, please contact Satinder Chera at 905-845-9339 or schera@theccsa.ca.

The Canadian Convenience Stores Association is a national, not-for-profit association that represents the interests of the convenience retail channel by working with its affiliated regional and national Associations to support Canada's 27,000+ convenience retailers, who serve 10 million Canadians daily.











