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To protect climate, Alberta and Quebec must abandon new pipelines

14 July 2015 (Montreal) – In response to comments made today by Alberta Premier Rachel Notley and Quebec Premier Philippe Couillard, Patrick Bonin, a Climate and Energy campaigner with Greenpeace Canada, said:

"The premiers are in denial if they think they can protect the climate and at the same time greenlight the infrastructure to expand one of the nation's largest sources of emissions. The premiers should be thinking about more ways to keep the oil sands in the ground and speed the transition to renewable energy sources rather than how to dig ourselves a deeper problem.

"In order to reduce the threat of climate change, we have to move away from fossil fuels. Every new dollar invested in energy infrastructure must be in clean and renewable energy. Perhaps rather than talking to each other, the premiers should spend more time talking to scientists because they aren't getting the message."

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