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Statement by Canadians for Properly Built Homes

CPBH Welcomes NDP Leader Andrea Horwath's Private Member's Bill Announcement: Real Consumer Protection for Ontario's New Home Buyers

Ottawa ON – Nov. 13, 2019 – CPBH is delighted to welcome NDP Leader Andrea Horwath's announcement today describing MPP Tom Rakocevic's private member's bill that would transform new home warranty protection in Ontario.

"Ms. Horwath's announcement today makes clear her understanding that Tarion is broken and beyond repair," said CPBH President Dr. Karen Somerville. "The need is urgent. People are suffering in homes that do not meet Code and they need help."

We applaud Ms. Horwath's demand for the immediate removal of Tarion's CEO and Board of Directors. Since the Auditor General's audit of Tarion released on October 30, 2019, CPBH has heard an outpouring of mistrust in Tarion.

CPBH was blunt in its <u>response to the October 30th Auditor General of Ontario's Special Audit</u>: Tarion is beyond repair. We are pleased that Ms. Horwath is proposing to enact a fair, transparent and affordable solution for Ontario's consumers of newly built homes.

We look forward to examining the details of today's announcement in the coming days.

CPBH proudly continues to work for properly built homes and consumer protection across Canada. It is the only organization of its kind in Canada. CPBH will continue to serve new homeowners in crisis and remains ready, willing and able to work with the Ontario Government to better protect Ontarians vis-à-vis the largest purchase most make – a home.

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