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NFU URGES HARPER TO REMOVE ANDERSON FROM CWB CRITIC POST

Conservative Party MP David Anderson (Cypress Hills-Grasslands) should be immediately stripped of his position as Canadian Wheat Board (CWB) critic.

In a strongly-worded letter to Conservative Party Leader Stephen Harper, National Farmers Union (NFU) President Stewart Wells said Anderson has shown he is either “willfully uninformed or is conducting an ongoing smear campaign” against the CWB.

In his letter to Harper, Wells said Anderson’s behaviour should not be the standard by which Conservative Party critics are named.

During Question Period in the House of Commons May 6, Anderson accused the CWB of engaging in “illegal” and “corrupt” activities. Anderson offered no evidence to back up his comments, and refused to repeat the allegations outside the House of Commons.

Wells said if Harper fails to take disciplinary action against Anderson, it would be “a signal” that Harper and the Conservative Party agree with Anderson’s unfounded allegations which are “harmful to all farmers and other Canadians.”

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