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NEWS RELEASE

Cattlemen Extend Sympathy to Hagen's Family

On behalf of our Board and members, the Association extends our sympathy to Minister Hagen's wife, Judy, and their family.

"We were shocked and saddened to hear of Minister Hagen's sudden passing yesterday," says Roland Baumann, BC Cattlemen's Association President and rancher from Vanderhoof.

Members of the Association met late yesterday afternoon with the Minister and Premier Campbell to discuss the state of the cattle industry and opportunities to work together in the coming year. "The meeting yesterday was productive with a very open discussion about issues affecting the cattle industry," says Bob France, BCCA General Manager. France continues to say, "We have appreciated Minister Hagen's willingness to work with us to move the industry forward."

While under the Agriculture portfolio, Minister Hagen made himself and his staff readily available to meet with industry. Our thoughts are with his family, friends and colleagues at this difficult time.

The BC Cattlemen's Association is a non-profit association representing the beef cattle industry in BC with approximately 1,400 rancher members province-wide.

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