

## **The Honourable Gary Lunn**



The Honourable Gary Lunn was appointed Minister of Natural Resources by Prime Minister Stephen Harper on February 6, 2006. Since 1997, he has been the Member of Parliament for the beautiful Saanich –Gulf Islands in British Columbia.

The Natural Resources portfolio is well suited to Minister Lunn because his early working days were spent in the mining and forestry industries in British Columbia and northern Canada. This experience has allowed him to understand first-hand the importance of Canada's natural resources to our present and future prosperity.

Since becoming Minister of Natural Resources, Minister Lunn has championed the design of the ecoENERGY Initiatives that were unveiled in January 2007. This \$2–billion investment is a set of focused, concrete measures to develop cleaner energy technologies, boost renewable energy supplies and help Canadians use energy more efficiently.

Minister Lunn speaks frequently about the need to streamline the regulatory approval process for energy and mining projects in Canada, and has made this a personal priority as he enters the next phase of his mandate.