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**Survey Results Say Ban ATM Fees**

**Vancouver, BC** – A new poll by NRG Research Group indicates that a strong majority of Canadians want the federal government to ban banks from charging fees when customers from competitor banks use their ATMs. In response to the question, “Do you agree or disagree with the suggestion that the federal government should ban fees charged when people use ATMs of financial institutions other than their own?” 70% of Canadians agreed, while only 26% disagreed.

Clearly, Canadians are taking a strong stance against these fees and they would support federal government action”, said Dr. Adam Di Paula, Senior Vice President of NRG Research Group. “Such fees may be particularly difficult for Canadians to accept given the attention that has been drawn recently to the profits reported by the big six banks”, Dr. Di Paula added.

**About the Ask Canada Survey**

Results are based on a telephone survey among a random sample of 1,203 Canadian residents, 18 and older, surveyed between January 30 and February 1 as part of NRG’s national omnibus – *Ask Canada*. The margin of error based on this sample size is +/- 2.8%, 19 times out of 20.

**About NRG Research Group**

NRG Research Group is a national public opinion research company with offices in Vancouver, Calgary and Winnipeg.

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