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July 14, 2023

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Dear David McKie,

This letter is in response to your request received on November 12, 2021 under the *Access to Information Act* (the Act) for: **“Briefing note: Deputy Minister (DM) Committee on Climate Plan Implementation 2021-09-28 Ref # 2021FIN507882”**.

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If you have any questions regarding this request, do not hesitate to contact Benoit Tremblay by email at benoit.tremblay@fin.gc.ca.

Yours sincerely,

Josh Keon
Director

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EXEMPTIONS

Federal-provincial affairs

14. The head of a government institution may refuse to disclose any record requested under this Act that contains information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to be injurious to the conduct by the Government of Canada of federal-provincial affairs, including, without restricting the generality of the foregoing, any such information

(a) on federal-provincial consultations or deliberations; or

(b) on strategy or tactics adopted or to be adopted by the Government of Canada relating to the conduct of federal-provincial affairs.

Law enforcement and investigations

16. (1) The head of a government institution may refuse to disclose any record requested under this Act that contains

(a) information obtained or prepared by any government institution, or part of any government institution, that is an investigative body specified in the regulations in the course of lawful investigations pertaining to

(i) the detection, prevention or suppression of crime,

(ii) the enforcement of any law of Canada or a province, or

(iii) activities suspected of constituting threats to the security of Canada within the meaning of the *Canadian Security Intelligence Service Act*,

if the record came into existence less than twenty years prior to the request;

(b) information relating to investigative techniques or plans for specific lawful investigations;

(c) information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to be injurious to the enforcement of any law of Canada or a province or the conduct of lawful investigations, including, without restricting the generality of the foregoing, any such information

(i) relating to the existence or nature of a particular investigation,

(ii) that would reveal the identity of a confidential source of information, or

(iii) that was obtained or prepared in the course of an investigation; or

(d) information the disclosure of which could reasonably be expected to be injurious to the security of penal institutions.

Security

(2) The head of a government institution may refuse to disclose any record requested under this Act that contains information that could reasonably be expected to facilitate the commission of an offence, including, without restricting the generality of the foregoing, any such information

(a) on criminal methods or techniques;

(b) that is technical information relating to weapons or potential weapons; or

(c) on the vulnerability of particular buildings or other structures or systems, including computer or communication systems, or methods employed to protect such buildings or other structures or systems.

Advice, etc.

21. (1) The head of a government institution may refuse to disclose any record requested under this Act that contains

(a) advice or recommendations developed by or for a government institution or a minister of the Crown,

(b) an account of consultations or deliberations in which directors, officers or employees of a government institution, a minister of the Crown or the staff of a minister participate,

(c) positions or plans developed for the purpose of negotiations carried on or to be carried on by or on behalf of the Government of Canada and considerations relating thereto, or

(d) plans relating to the management of personnel or the administration of a government institution that have not yet been put into operation, if the record came into existence less than twenty years prior to the request.

Exercise of a discretionary power or an adjudicative function

(2) Subsection (1) does not apply in respect of a record that contains

(a) an account of, or a statement of reasons for, a decision that is made in the exercise of a discretionary power or an adjudicative function and that affects the rights of a person; or

(b) a report prepared by a consultant or an adviser who was not a director, an officer or an employee of a government institution or a member of the staff of a minister of the Crown at the time the report was prepared.



MEMORANDUM NOTE DE SERVICE

TO
À Michael Sabia

FROM
DE Glenn Purves

SUBJECT
OBJET **Meeting of the Deputy Ministers Committee on Climate Plan Implementation**

Security classification / Classification de sécurité	SECRET
Originator / Auteur	Ryan Gossack-Keenan Bryan Smith
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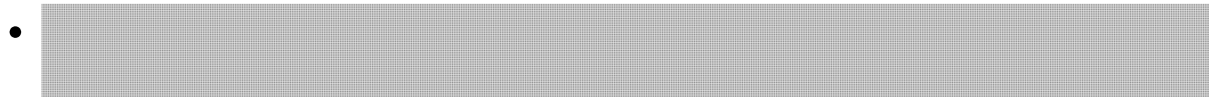
- 1. Issue:** You are scheduled to attend a meeting of the Deputy Ministers Committee on Climate Plan Implementation on September 29th.
- 2. Decision Sought:** None
- 3. Financial Implications:** None
- 4. Recommendation:** None
- 5. Timing Considerations:** To be read by Wednesday, September 29.

Issue

You are scheduled to attend a meeting of the Deputy Ministers Committee on Climate Plan Implementation on September 29th. The meeting will be led by co-chairs Christine Hogan of Environment and Climate Change Canada and Jean-François Tremblay of Natural Resources Canada.

The chairs are expected to brief Deputy Ministers on the new government's climate agenda and provide an update of ongoing transition work. The rest of the meeting will focus on the following two items:

- The development of a new Emissions Reduction Plan for 2030 and the measures that will be needed to achieve Canada's 2030 target; and



Assistant Deputy Minister: Glenn Purves
A/Director General: Julie Trépanier



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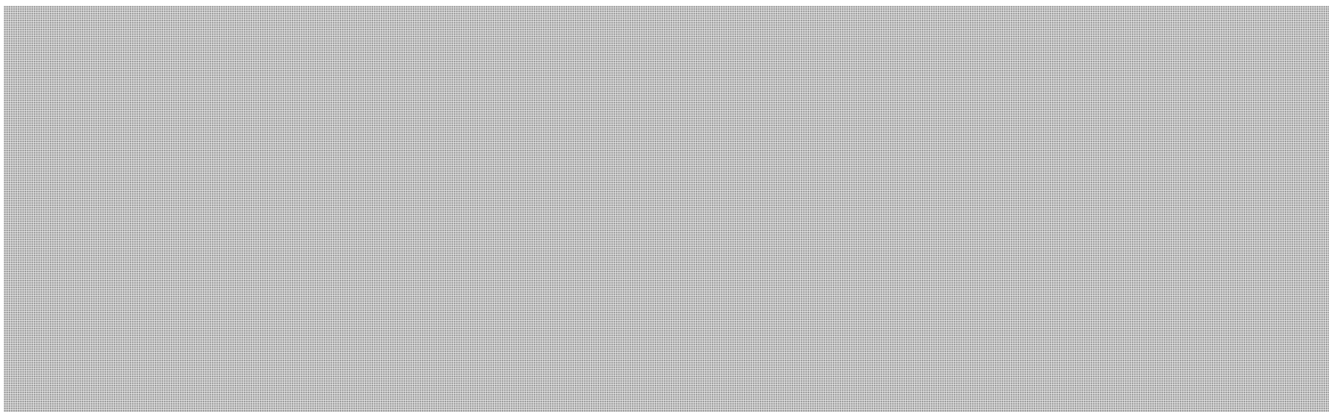
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Background

Canada's suite of existing and announced measures are projected to reduce 2030 emissions to 36 per cent below 2005 levels. The Government, however, recently committed to reduce 2030 emissions to 40-45 per cent below 2005 levels, and to net-zero emissions by 2050, meaning that additional or enhanced policy measures will be required to meet Canada's emission targets. The government will be legally required under the *Canadian Net-Zero Emissions Accountability Act* to publish, before March 2022, an Emissions Reduction Plan outlining its path to achieving the recently enhanced 2030 target.

With the upcoming COP26 United Nations Climate Summit scheduled for November, the new government may also consider whether to use that occasion as a venue to announce incremental measures in support of its 2030 target.



Considerations



The meeting provides an opportunity to clarify expectations and sequencing for fall and winter climate priorities.

Emissions Reduction Plan for 2030

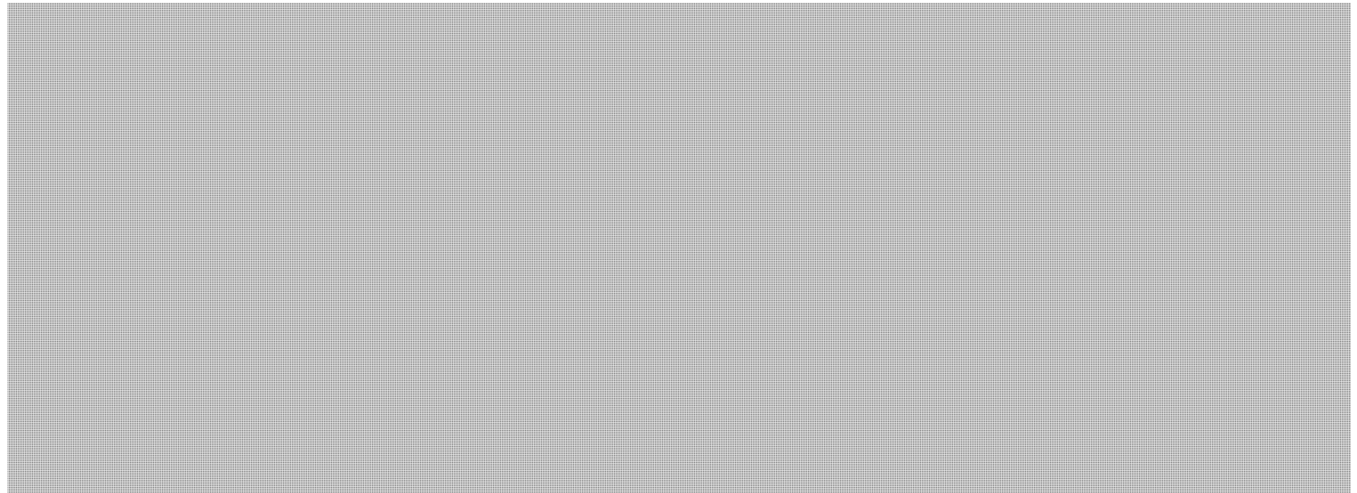


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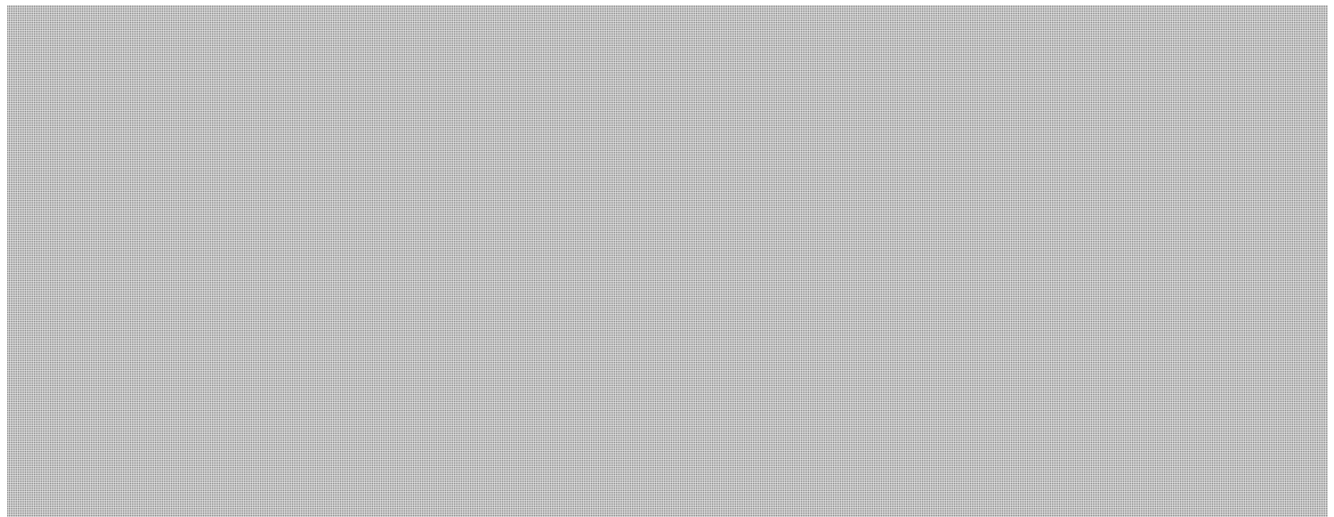
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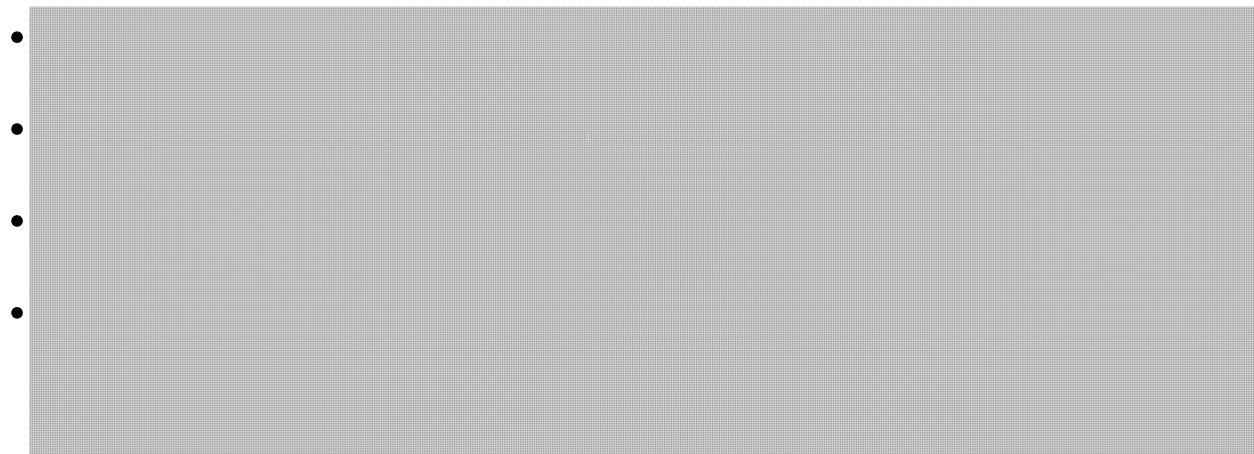
Key Messages

Emissions Reduction Plan



Federal-Provincial-Territorial Engagement Plan

- Successful engagement with provincial and territorial governments critical to achieving Canada's climate priorities.



DM Committee on Climate Plan Implementation (DMCPI)

September 29, 2021 – 1:00-2:00

AGENDA

- 1.** Introduction and Updates
- 2.** FPT Climate Engagement
(ECCC, NRCan, PCO)
- 3.** Roundtable

Supporting documents:

- A.** FPT Climate Engagement

ORDRE DU JOUR

- 1.** Introduction et mises à jour
- 2.** Engagement FPT sur le climat (ECCC,
RNCAN, BCP)
- 3.** Table ronde

Documents connexes :

- A.** Engagement FPT sur le climat

Management of the Climate Agenda with Provinces and Territories

DM CPI
September 29, 2021

Canada

Purpose

- Provide an overview/update of workshops with federal departments and agencies on FPT climate engagement
- Highlight opportunities, challenges, and areas of focus with PTs to advance the implementation of the Strengthened Climate Plan
- Seek direction on next steps and development of comprehensive FPT engagement strategy for the new government

Introduction

- In June 2021, DM CPI discussed a whole of government approach to managing the climate agenda with PTs, building from insights gathered from the Strengthened Climate Plan's "DG Roadshows"



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s.21(1)(b)

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Gestion du programme sur le climat avec les provinces et les territoires

SMMPC

29 septembre 2021

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Objectif

- Fournir un aperçu et une mise à jour des ateliers avec les ministères et organismes fédéraux sur l'engagement FPT en matière de climat.
- Mettre en évidence les opportunités, les défis et les domaines d'intérêt avec les provinces et les territoires pour faire progresser la mise en œuvre du Plan climatique renforcé.
- Obtenir des directives sur les prochaines étapes et l'élaboration d'une stratégie globale de mobilisation FPT pour le nouveau gouvernement.

Introduction

- En juin 2021, le SMMPC a discuté d'une approche pangouvernementale de la gestion du programme climatique avec les provinces et les territoires, en s'appuyant sur les points de vue recueillis lors des «tournées des DG» du Plan climatique renforcé.



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to:

date: Jul 25, 2023,
8:11 AM

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l'article 32 /
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Institution : Ministère des Finances du Canada

Date : 2023/07/25

Numéro de dossier du Commissariat : 5823-01533

Numéro de la demande d'accès : A-2021-00538

Le 2023/07/18 , le Commissariat à l'information a reçu une plainte en vertu de la *Loi sur l'accès à l'information* contenant les allégations suivantes contre Ministère des Finances du Canada :

L'institution a erronément refusé de communiquer des renseignements en vertu des articles 14, 16, des alinéas 21(1)(a), 21(1)(b) en réponse à la demande ou aux demandes d'accès susmentionnée(s). L'allégation s'inscrit dans le cadre de l'alinéa 30(1)a).

La Commissaire à l'information du Canada avise Ministère des Finances du Canada, en vertu de l'article 32 de la *Loi*, qu'elle a l'intention de faire enquête sur cette ou ces allégation(s). L'institution doit donc conserver tous les documents relatifs à celle(s)-ci jusqu'à ce que l'enquête et tout recours judiciaire subséquent soient terminés.

Notice of intention to investigate under section 32

Institution: Department of Finance Canada

Date: 2023/07/25

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On 2023/07/18 , the Office of the Information Commissioner (OIC) received a complaint under the *Access to Information Act* alleging the following against Department of Finance Canada :

It improperly withheld information under sections 14, 16, paragraphs 21(1)(a), 21(1)(b) when it responded to the above-noted access request(s). This allegation falls under paragraph 30(1)(a).

The Information Commissioner of Canada gives notice to Department of Finance Canada under section 32 that she intends to investigate this allegation(s). Consequently, the institution must keep all records relating to the allegation(s) until the investigation and any subsequent legal proceedings are complete.

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July 17, 2023

To whom this may concern. I'm filing formal complaint against the Department of Finance about their use of sections 14, 16, 2(1) a,b and c to withhold information. Please see the acknowledgment letter pasted below.

I'd be grateful for a formal acknowledgment that you've received this correspondence.

Thanks,

David McKie

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