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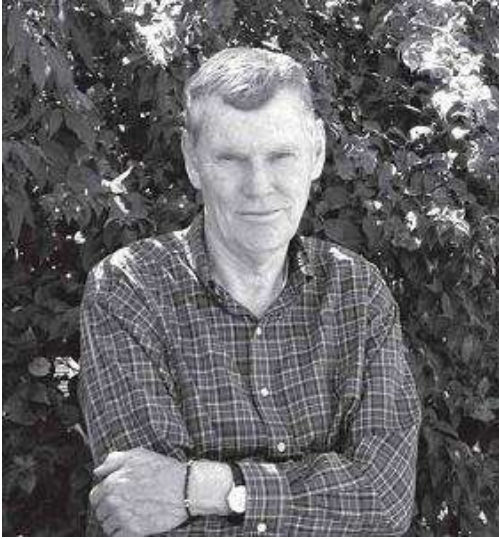
Citizens' Climate Lobby Canada
Lobby Climatique des Citoyens

Marriott Residence Inn 161 Laurier West and Parliament Hill, Ottawa
Saturday, October 21 to Tuesday, October 24, 2017
Registration closes Monday, October 16, 2017
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“We would like to acknowledge the Algonquin nation whose traditional and unceded territory we are gathered upon today.”

MESSAGES



Dear Canadian Partners,

Your accomplishments in the provinces and in Ottawa are stunning. You really are leading the world in citizen courage and achievement. I see some of your letters to the editor, so many, and most recently a resolution by the City of Toronto. When you visit Parliament Hill knock 'em alive, I know you will. Kind regards, Marshall

Marshall Saunders
Founder and President of Citizens' Climate Lobby
October 6, 2017

Dear CCL Canada members,

Your focus on generating the political will for carbon pricing in your communities and your unconditional giving are proof to me that we are going to create a better world because of the climate crisis. I love you all more than I can ever express in words. If hugs are in your vocabulary, be sure to give me one at the conference.

Cathy Orlando,
National Director, Citizens' Climate Lobby Canada
October 16, 2017



CCL LOBBY PREP DAY: Saturday, October 21, 2017, noon to 5:30 pm

Venue: 2nd Floor Marriott Residence Inn, 161 Laurier W, Ottawa, ON all Sir Guy Carlton room except where noted. Please dress comfortably but also note lots of pictures* will be taken.

12:00 pm to 1:00 pm: Registration (Second Floor)

1:00 pm to 1:45 pm: Welcome, Opening and Group Building Exercises

1:45 pm to 2:00 pm: Cheryl McNamara, The Open Letter Project

2:00 pm to 3:00 pm: Catherine Abreu, Joe Gunn and Matthew Chapman, The Community Connections Panel

3:00 pm to 4:00 pm: Cathy Orlando, Climate Advocate Training (CAT) for newbies (Dorchester, 4th Floor)

3:00 pm to 4:00 pm: Gerry Labelle, Preparing for Election 2019 for veteran CCLers

4:00 pm to 4:30 pm: Receive Lobbying Assignments

4:30 pm to 5:30 pm: Detailed walk-through of our lobbying ask with John Stephenson

SATURDAY NIGHT PARTY: Saturday, October 21, 2017, 7:30 pm to 10 pm

Venue: 324 Laurier St. W. **Dessert Party.** Go out for dinner and then come have dessert, tea and coffee with us. BYOB, play pool, socializing and maybe dancing. It is almost Halloween! Costumes optional but recommended because they make for great pictures*. **THEME:** Imagination.

EDUCATIONAL DAY: Sunday, October 22, 2017, 10 am to 5:00 pm

Venue: Second Floor Marriott Residence Inn, 161 Laurier W, Ottawa, ON, all Sir Guy Carlton Room. Please dress comfortably but also note lots of pictures* will be taken.

9:30 am to 10:00 am: Registration

10:00 am to 10:30 am: Welcome, Opening

10:30 am to 11:15 am: Erin Flanagan, The Pan Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change

11:15 pm to 11:30 am: Laura Sacks, From Despair to Action

11:30 am to 12:15 pm: Jason Dion, Genuine Complements to Carbon Pricing

12:15 pm to 1:30 pm: Veggie Wraps to be served in the Dorchester Room (4th Floor). Please find a comfortable place to eat in Fourth Floor lounge or Sir Guy Carlton room

1:30 pm to 2:30 pm: Mark Cameron and Jeff Parker, Other Viewpoints on Carbon Pricing

2:30 pm to 3:00 pm: Bruce Hyer, Why carbon pricing must be revenue neutral

3:30 pm to 4:30 pm: Peterson Toscano, Climate change the art of storytelling

4:30 pm to 5:00 pm: Closing and Orientation to Parliament Hill

LOBBYING Day 1 and GROUP PHOTO: Monday, October 23, 2017, all day

Venue: Parliament Hill. Registered guests at Marriott Residence can use the 2nd floor of the hotel as a meeting area or even your suites for pre-lobbying preparation. Please wear business attire. Ties for men and no jeans please. Please take pictures* while lobbying and on Parliament Hill.

NOTE THE TIME FOR OUR GROUP PHOTO ON PARLIAMENT HILL

Arrive at 2:15 at the Centennial Flame on Parliament Hill for a 2:30 SHARP GROUP PHOTO.

EVENING RECEPTION: Monday, October 23, 2017, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Venue: Sir Guy Room, 2nd Floor, Marriott Residence Inn, 161 Laurier W, Ottawa
Vegan tapas food will be served.

LOBBYING Day 2: Tuesday, October 24, 2017, all day

Venue: Parliament Hill. Registered guests at Marriott Residence can use the 2nd floor of the hotel as a meeting area or even your suites for pre-lobbying preparation. Please wear business attire. Ties for men and no jeans please. Please take pictures while lobbying* and on Parliament Hill.

***Please take lots of pictures and tweet them to #CCCL2017 or send canada@citizensclimatelobby.org**

PS Read this whole booklet. Lots of valuable information is in here.



Photo: Katie McKay

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS PANELIST

Catherine Abreu is the Executive Director, Climate Action Network – Réseau action climat. Catherine joined Canada's Climate Action Network in July 2016, after five years leading the energy and climate change mitigation programs at the Ecology Action Centre. Catherine is committed to work that confronts climate change head-on, wielding bold and creative strategies. She thinks a lot about citizenship, community, and beauty, and does her best to incorporate those values in all that she does. An accomplished public speaker, Catherine has been honoured to share the stage with some of Canada's leading environmental thinkers including David Suzuki and Maude Barlow. Her commentary has featured in many news outlets including the New York Times, the Globe and Mail, the Toronto Star, the Financial Post and VICE. She appears frequently on CBC, CTV, Global and other current affairs television and radio programs.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS PANELIST

Joe Gunn has served as Executive Director at Citizens for Public Justice since August 2008. He served as the founding vice-chair of KAIROS-Canadian Ecumenical Justice Initiatives, and has been active in the Canadian Council of Churches' Commission for Justice and Peace. After engaging Canadian faith communities in speaking out on climate justice, in 2012 Joe was awarded the Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee Medal for "exemplary service and commitment to the betterment of the community." In June 2013, Joe was awarded a "Certificate of Honour" from Development and Peace for "commitment to the cause of social justice and efforts to improve living conditions for the poorest of the poor in the Global South." Saint Paul University granted Joe the Eugène de Mazenod Medal in April, 2017. The Medal "honours individuals who have made a significant contribution to the development of human capital in their community."



COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS PANELIST

Matthew Chapman is the Campaign Coordinator at Climate Reality. Matthew joined the Climate Reality team as Campaign Coordinator in April 2016. His experience in the fields of fine arts, education, and international business have shaped his understanding of the challenges and opportunities our society and civilization face. As a member of the national team leading the [ClimateHub.ca](https://climatehub.ca) initiative, he is convinced that building resilient communities is at the heart of the transition to a more sustainable and socially equitable economy.



THE OPEN LETTER PROJECT

Cheryl founded CCL's Toronto chapter. Since 2011 she has been in over 80 meetings with Members of Parliament, Ontario MPPs and U.S. congressional offices, as well as the World Bank and Canadian Embassy in Washington, D.C. to advance legislation that would put a price on carbon. She has also met with the editorial boards of the Globe and Mail and Toronto Star, and has written an inordinate amount of letters to the editor.

Cheryl is also part of the communications team at KAIROS Canada. During her wee spare hours she writes plays. Her latest, Water Wonders, is a play for young audiences about our deep connection to nature.





CCL CANADA'S 2017 LEAVE BEHIND DOCUMENT

John Stephenson, CCL Toronto West, graduated in Applied Mineral Sciences from the University of Leeds 1970. He enjoyed a 44 year career ranging from extractive metallurgy to district energy project development. He became a professional metallurgical engineer and completed a Masters in Management Science. He worked 27 years with Ontario Hydro and Toronto Hydro in business development and 13 years with FVB Energy helping develop over 20 new district energy systems. John has been a member of Citizens Climate Lobby since summer 2016.



THE PAN-CANADIAN FRAMEWORK ON CLEAN GROWTH AND CLIMATE CHANGE

On Sunday, October 22, Erin Flanagan will lead us through a deep review of the Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change. Ms. Flanagan is the director of the Pembina Institute's federal policy program. In this role, she spearheads national policy campaigns on climate and energy issues – including on carbon pricing, electricity sector regulation, and environmental law reform – and supports the Institute's regional priorities in Ottawa. In 2016 she was named one of Canada's top 30 under 30 in sustainability by Corporate Knights magazine and has twice been named one of Ottawa's "Top 100 lobbyists" by The Hill Times.



GENUINE COMPLEMENTS TO CARBON PRICING

Jason Dion is a Research Associate with [Canada's Ecofiscal Commission](#). Before joining the Commission, he worked as a project manager and economist at the International Institute for Sustainable Development (IISD), where his work focused on climate change mitigation and adaptation, green public procurement, and sustainable infrastructure. Jason is the author of numerous publications, including environmental fiscal reform studies for the governments of Mauritius and Mozambique, funded by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).



FROM DESPAIR TO ACTION: A PERSONAL JOURNEY

Laura Sacks founded and leads the Nelson – West Kootenay (BC) chapter of Citizens' Climate Lobby. She has a background in the sciences, with a 20-year career as a hydrologist and degrees in geology and environmental sciences. She is also passionate about local organic agriculture and has operated a small farm and Community Supported Agriculture program. Laura is the mother of 2 daughters who are now young adults. She will share her story of how shifting her worldview from cynicism and despair to positive action helped her become a more effective climate advocate.



VIEWPOINTS PANELIST

Mark Cameron is the Executive Director of [Canadians for Clean Prosperity](#). He has worked in several MPs and Ministers offices, including working in the Office of the Prime Minister as Director of Policy and Research and Senior Policy Advisor from 2006 to 2009. Mark has long been engaged in the environmental policy debate in Canada, and serves on the advisory board of the Pembina Institute and the steering committee of Sustainable Prosperity.



VIEWPOINTS PANELIST

Jeff Parker is the Policy Manager at the Toronto Region Board of Trade. He joined the Board in 2016 and has a special emphasis on energy and environmental policy. Jeff led the development of the Board of Trade's energy policy, which will be released in Fall 2017.

Prior to joining the Board, Jeff spent more than three years as part of the non-partisan Legislative Research Service at Queen's Park. He also holds a Ph.D. in political science from the University of Western Ontario and has written a book on comparative federalism and intergovernmental agreements.



WHY CARBON PRICING MUST BE REVENUE-NEUTRAL

Bruce Hyer is the Deputy Leader of the Green Party of Canada. We lobbied Bruce extensively and in June 2012 he disclosed to us that he was considering supporting carbon fee and dividend. In November 2013 he spoke at our first national conference and then championed carbon fee and dividend in the House of Commons. We are grateful to MP Hyer for all the times he championed carbon fee and dividend: [November 19, 2013](#), [May 16, 2014](#), [May 26, 2014](#), [June 9, 2014](#), [September 29, 2015](#), [September 30, 2014](#), [October 6, 2014](#), [December 2, 2014](#), [December 3, 2014](#), [February 3, 2015](#), and [March 9, 2015](#), [April 1, 2015](#) and [June 4, 2015](#).

Bruce Hyer is committed to working across party lines, as he believes that "All parties have pieces of the legislative puzzle toward making Canada a cleaner, greener, safer, and more sustainable country."



CLIMATE CHANGE AND THE ART OF STORY TELLING

Peterson Toscano is a performance artist, activist, and comic storyteller. Although he performs throughout North America and Europe, he actually lives in Sunbury, PA. Toscano presents original one-person comedies that explore gender, sexuality, faith, and climate change. Peterson is the gifted director behind [CCL Radio](#). We look forward to having him help us tell our stories. Artists are soothing our souls at this time of massive change



CLIMATE ADVOCATE TRAINING

Cathy Orlando met Marshall Saunders at a Climate Reality conference in June 2010 and started the first Chapter of CCL in Canada in September of that year. Cathy has been working as the National Director of Citizens' Climate Lobby Canada since November 2011. She has led all previous 11 forays onto Parliament Hill and has directed all CCL Canada conferences. Cathy has put her words to work for the climate by getting letters and opinion pieces published in newspapers in every province in Canada. More recently she has taken additional responsibilities within CCL as the deputy director of Global Strategy. She was an observer at the IPCC meeting in Montreal in September and she will be delegate at the UNFCCC meetings this year in Bonn, Germany. When she's not safeguarding the climate alongside the best volunteers on the planet, you can probably find her stargazing, dancing, reading books not about climate change, hanging out with her husband Sanjiv, and mothering her three cherished daughters.



OUR CONFERENCE FACILITATOR

Gerry Labelle has moderated all of our National Conferences.

He is one year older.

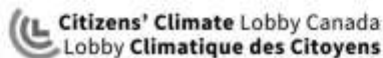
Our event is on the territory of *Omàmiwininiwag* (Algonquin peoples, in the Algonquin language). He feels quite at home in Ottawa. Gerry is Algonquin.

CCL CANADA 2019 PLEDGE

I acknowledge that there is a risk of losing the political resolve on the gains we have made to secure a healthy climate in the lead-up to next federal election in 2019. Thus, I am making the following pledge:

I want to live in a democracy where all politicians of all political stripes can get elected for pro-environmental policies, not in spite of them. Thus, in my riding, I pledge to generate the political will for a liveable world. Specifically, I pledge to do my best to keep the discussions around climate change and carbon pricing factual, respectful and non-partisan in my local media, while doing community outreach and communicating with local leaders.

All politics is local after all.



SUMMER 2017 NEWS: CCL Canada smashes LTE record

Summer is typically a season when warmer weather liberates Canadians to spend time outdoors. Consequently, volunteer activity usually slows down, but CCL Canada members kept up the pace and then some by smashing their record for letters to the editor (LTE). They generated 117 LTEs between July 1 and August 10, nearly quadrupling their monthly average of 30. This was done in preparation for our conference and with an eye toward influencing party platforms heading into the 2019 election.

"In our July action sheets, we asked our members to write letters to the editor so that we can show our federal Parliamentarians that the newspapers are responsive to our facts about the climate crisis and carbon pricing," said CCL Canada National Manager Cathy Orlando in August. "Thank you to all the Canadian volunteers who sent in letters to the editor since July 1. You are setting the tone to make Canada an international leader in environmental stewardship."

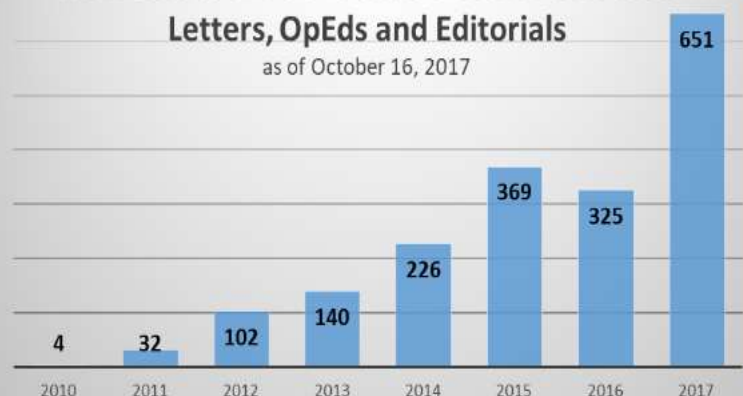
As of October 16, our CCL Canada team recorded **651 print media hits** which is almost **23% of the total CCL print media hits worldwide** this year.

And then in September the Post Media Editorial Board endorsed carbon fee and dividend and it was syndicated across Canada.

CCL CANADA'S PRINT MEDIA HITS

Letters, OpEds and Editorials

as of October 16, 2017



Here's how to make carbon pricing honest

Post Media Editorial Board – September 2017

Here are some questions for Canada's political leaders. If Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and premiers like Ontario's Kathleen Wynne and Alberta's Rachel Notley believe humanity faces an imminent, existential threat from man-made climate change, what does that have to do with increasing government revenues?

If their goal is to reduce industrial greenhouse gas emissions, why is their solution making Canadians poorer through a carbon tax, or cap and trade, a carbon tax by another name?

What makes them think they know how to lower emissions by picking economic winners and losers through public subsidies to big business, subsidies funded by the billions of dollars their carbon pricing schemes are extracting from Canadians?

Finally, since they're imposing carbon pricing, why don't they do it in the most honest, transparent and effective way, called carbon fee and dividend? Here's how it works: Governments, through their existing tax agencies, set and collect a gradually increasing carbon fee on all fossil fuels at their first point of sale.

All of the money is then returned to Canadians monthly, as equal dividend payments, with half payments for children younger than 18, to a maximum of two children a family. (The auditor general could police this to confirm governments aren't skimming.)

All government subsidies to industry are eliminated under carbon fee and dividend, since all the money goes back to taxpayers.

Based on average consumption, 60 per cent of Canadian households would receive a higher dividend cheque than they pay in carbon fees (because their consumption is below average). Along with all Canadians, they then make their own consumer choices about how to save

more money by buying more energy-efficient, and thus less expensive, goods and services.

Thus, businesses are driven by the marketplace, not subsidies, to lower their emissions through technological innovation, to produce less expensive products and achieve greater market share.

A study prepared for Citizens' Climate Lobby predicts carbon fee and dividend would reduce emissions by 50 per cent below 1990 levels within two decades — far beyond what our governments are claiming— while creating hundreds of thousands of jobs.

So why aren't politicians (save for the Green Party) interested? Because carbon fee and dividend reduces emissions; it doesn't increase government revenues.

EDITORIAL BOARD ENDORSEMENT OF CARBON FEE & DIVIDEND

1. 2017-09-12 Sudbury Star (Sudbury, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
2. 2017-09-12 Simcoe Reformer (Simcoe, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
3. 2017-09-12 Daily Press (Timmins, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
4. 2017-09-12 Standard-Freeholder (Cornwall) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
5. 2017-09-12 The Barrie Examiner (Barrie, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
6. 2017-09-12 Peterborough Examiner (Peterborough, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
7. 2017-09-12 Daily News (Chatham, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
8. 2017-09-12 The Expositor (Brantford, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
9. 2017-09-12 The Tribune (Welland, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
10. 2017-09-12 Sentinel Review (Woodstock, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
11. 2017-09-12 Daily Observer (Pembroke, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
12. 2017-09-12 The Intelligencer (Belleville, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
13. 2017-09-12 North Bay Nugget (North Bay, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
14. 2017-09-12 The Sun Times (Owen Sound, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
15. 2017-09-12 Recorder and Times (Brockville, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
16. 2017-09-12 Whig Standard (Kingston, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
17. 2017-09-12 The Journal (St Thomas, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
18. 2017-09-12 The Observer (Sarnia, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
19. 2017-09-12 The Review (Niagara Falls, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
20. 2017-09-12 The Standard (St Catharines) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
21. 2017-09-12 Sault Star (Sault Ste Marie, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
22. 2017-09-12 Free Press (London, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
23. 2017-09-12 The Beacon Herald (Stratford, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
24. 2017-09-11 The Sun (Winnipeg, ON) - How honest carbon pricing works
25. 2017-09-11 Edmonton Sun (Edmonton, AB) - How honest carbon pricing works
26. 2017-09-11 Ottawa Sun (Ottawa, ON) - How honest carbon pricing works
27. 2017-09-11 Toronto Sun (Toronto, ON) - How honest carbon pricing works
28. 2017-09-11 The Sun (Calgary, AB) - How honest carbon pricing works
29. 2017-09-13 Tillsonburg News (Tillsonburg, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
30. 2017-09-13 Northumberland Today (Coburg, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest
31. 2017-09-13 Northern News (Kirkland Lake, ON) - Here's how to make carbon pricing honest



POSTMEDIA

OUR RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE GOVERNMENT OF CANADA REGARDING CARBON PRICING AND FINANCIAL SUBSIDIES TO FOSSIL FUEL COMPANIES

October 2017

Since September 2010, Citizens' Climate Lobby (CCL) Canada members have been lobbying their federal parliamentarians for carbon fee and dividend: a national, upstream, and incrementally rising carbon price where 100 percent of the money is returned to citizens on an equitable basis.

We applaud the Canadian government for announcing a national price on carbon, uniting all provinces and territories with a minimum and rising fee. This is an important step to help Canada in its transition to a clean energy economy. In the Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change, the government recognizes that this transition will result in a strong, diverse and competitive economy.

However, the Federal government has committed to increasing the fee for only five years. Not knowing if the fee will continue to rise beyond 2022 makes planning difficult for Canadian businesses that want to take a longer view. Also, a five-year commitment is not enough to meet Canada's goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions to 30 percent below 2005 levels by 2030. We call on the Canadian government to extend the rising fee to the year 2030.

In addition, there must be clarity from the federal government on the comprehensiveness of the national carbon price plan. Excluding some sectors from a carbon fee unfairly burdens other industries and undermines Canada's climate commitments. A comprehensive fee applied at the wellhead and point of entry for import in all provinces will most effectively reduce Canada's greenhouse gas emissions while providing powerful incentives to invest in the clean energy economy.

Canada can significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions by becoming a world leader in the clean energy economy. Extending the rising fee

to 2030, ensuring comprehensive coverage, and imposing border tax adjustments will help ensure a strong, diverse and competitive economy inspiring other countries to take Canada's lead.

The simple steps needed:

1. That the carbon fee is applied upstream: at the wellhead, coal mine or point of entry into the economy.
2. That the national carbon price continues to rise past 2022 with the objective of Canada exceeding our Paris targets and becoming a world leader in tackling the climate crisis and in the clean technology industry.
3. That border tax adjustments are included in the policy to level the playing field for domestic industries that compete in international jurisdictions without a similar carbon price.
4. That the federal government work with the provinces and territories to ensure provincial carbon pricing systems can keep up with the rising federal minimum carbon price without imposing any additional burdens on low and middle-income Canadians. For example, the federal government could propose carbon fee and dividend as a model policy.
5. To ensure that there is a consistent policy towards combating climate change that the federal government, as promised in the 2015 election, end financial subsidies to fossil fuel companies.

CCL is grateful for your service to Canada and for recognizing the myriad connections between the climate crisis and the many problems faced by society and governments. This is a race against time. The future will be Canada's when we enact an effective carbon pricing policy. We are here to help Canada win the race to the top.

NOS RECOMMANDATIONS AU GOUVERNEMENT DU CANADA AU SUJET DES FRAIS SUR LE CARBONE ET DES SUBVENTIONS FINANCIÈRES AUX COMPAGNIES DE COMBUSTIBLES FOSSILES

octobre 2017

Depuis septembre 2010, les membres du Lobby Climatique des Citoyens (LCC) mènent des activités de lobbying auprès de leurs députés afin de promouvoir une politique des frais et dividendes sur le carbone: des frais à l'échelle du pays, en amont, qui s'élèveront graduellement et dont l'argent sera entièrement remise aux citoyens sur une base équitable.

Nous félicitons le gouvernement du Canada qui a annoncé la tarification du carbone à l'échelle nationale, unissant ainsi toutes les provinces et territoires avec des frais minimums et croissants. Il s'agit d'une étape importante qui appuiera le Canada dans sa transition vers une économie axée sur l'énergie propre. Dans "le Cadre pancanadien [sic] sur la croissance propre et les changements climatiques", le gouvernement reconnaît que cette transition peut engendrer une économie forte, diversifiée et compétitive.

Toutefois, le gouvernement fédéral s'engage seulement à accroître les frais pour une période de cinq ans. Le fait de ne pas savoir si ces tarifs continueront à augmenter au-delà de l'an 2022 rend la planification à long terme difficile pour les entreprises canadiennes qui souhaitent une perspective plus longue. De plus, un engagement de cinq ans n'est certainement pas suffisant pour atteindre l'objectif du Canada de réduire ses émissions de gaz à effet de serre visant la cible de 30 % de moins qu'en 2005, et ce, d'ici 2030. Par conséquent, nous demandons au gouvernement du Canada de prolonger l'augmentation des tarifs jusqu'à l'an 2030.

En outre, le gouvernement fédéral doit être plus clair afin d'assurer que le plan national de tarification du carbone s'applique à toutes les industries. L'exclusion de certains secteurs des frais du carbone représente un fardeau supplémentaire pour les industries non exclues et affaiblit l'engagement du Canada en matière de climat. Des frais exhaustifs, applicables aux têtes de puit et aux points d'arrivée des produits importés dans toutes les provinces réduiront efficacement les émissions des gaz à effet de serre du Canada tout en fournissant des incitatifs puissants pour l'investissement menant ainsi à une économie de l'énergie propre.

Le Canada peut réduire ses émissions de gaz à effet de serre de façon significative en devenant un véritable chef de file de l'économie de l'énergie propre. La prolongation de l'augmentation des tarifs jusqu'à l'an 2030, l'inclusion de toutes les industries et des ajustements fiscaux aux frontières sont des mesures qui aideront le Canada à s'assurer une économie forte,

diversifiée et compétitive tout en inspirant les autres pays à suivre son exemple.

Nous proposons d'adopter les mesures ci-après:

1. Les frais sur le carbone seront appliqués en amont: aux têtes du puits, aux mines de charbon ou aux points d'entrée dans l'économie.
2. Les frais sur le carbone à l'échelle nationale continueront à augmenter au-delà de l'an 2022. L'objectif étant de dépasser les cibles établies à Paris de sorte que le Canada deviendra le chef de file dans la lutte climatique et dans l'industrie de la technologie propre.
3. Un ajustement frontalier doit être inclus dans la politique afin de permettre aux industries domestiques de fonctionner sur un pied d'égalité avec les industries internationales provenant des juridictions sans frais sur le carbone.
4. Le gouvernement fédéral travaillera avec les provinces et les territoires afin de s'assurer que les systèmes provinciaux et territoriaux de tarification du carbone s'aligneront avec l'augmentation du prix minimum du gouvernement fédéral sans imposer un fardeau supplémentaire aux Canadiens à revenu faible et moyen. Par exemple le gouvernement fédéral pourrait proposer une politique standardisée de tarifs et de dividendes sur le carbone.
5. Tel que promis lors des élections de 2015 et afin d'assurer une politique cohérente, le gouvernement fédéral mettra fin aux subventions financières versées aux compagnies de combustibles fossiles.

Le LCC tient à exprimer sa reconnaissance au gouvernement canadien, le remerciant de bien vouloir reconnaître la multitude de liens entre la crise climatique et les divers problèmes de la planète. Afin d'assurer son avenir, le Canada doit mettre en vigueur une politique efficace des frais sur le carbone. Nous sommes tous engagés dans une course contre le temps et le groupe LCC accorde son soutien au Canada pour gagner cette course.

ABOUT CITIZENS' CLIMATE LOBBY CANADA

Since 2010, CCL Canada has been lobbying parliamentarians for [carbon fee and dividend](#). In Canada, we have had over 1900 letters to the editor, articles, editorials, and opinion pieces published in newspapers by or about us since 2010. In 2016, CCL Canada volunteers recorded 168 face-to-face meetings with MPs and a total of 199 meetings with staffers, provincial parliamentarians, and federal parliamentarians.

At Citizens' Climate Lobby, we're committed to building the political will for the climate solutions we all need. As empowered citizens, we talk with neighbors, friends, and local officials about how national climate action can help ensure a healthy future while strengthening the Canadian economy.

Our volunteers include high school students and concerned grandparents, a Canadian NASA rocket scientist living in Pasadena, health care workers from across Canada and many other walks of life. Some are PhD's who have spent careers researching the intricacies of climate change; others are concerned citizens who just want to know how to help. Whatever our backgrounds, we're all united by a commitment to making our voices heard as we call for a healthy climate future.

CCL is a non-partisan international organization. Members of CCL's International's advisory board include: George P. Shultz, former US secretary of state; Dr. James Hansen, retired Director of the NASA Goddard Institute for Space Studies; Dr. Katharine Hayhoe, Canadian Climate Scientist at Texas Tech University; and others.

CCL believes politicians don't create political will, they respond to it.

CCL believes citizens who are well trained, organized by ridings and with a good system of support can influence the political process. Our volunteers want Canada to lead the fight to save the global climate, and they want to help politicians achieve this noble goal.



Ten key strategies for being a Citizen Climate Lobbyist

- 1) Stay connected to what you want future generations to experience. Think of something that you cherish that is possibly threatened by climate change.
- 2) Have a positive vision of the future and of human nature. You will have more energy and attract the right people to you.
- 3) Practice practice practice. Every month we receive training on delivering a "laser talk" from Citizens Climate Lobby . We practice these talks in preparation for speaking with media and politicians.
- 4) Work in teams not on your own. Working in teams is more fun, spreads the work out, you can be a LOT more effective than if you act alone and its get you noticed!
- 5) Be a good listener - Politicians are people and are very busy people too. Give them respect and listen carefully.
- 6) Find common grounds. Many politicians have personal and political reasons why they cannot act on climate change.
- 7) Stay within your allotted time and offer to leave early.
- 8) Don't automatically give out resources and proof that supports your position. Wait to be asked for references.
- 9) Make partnerships with unlikely groups, companies, organizations and people. Environmentalists are not the only people concerned about the many looming crises affecting humanity and the Earth.
- 10) Find grace in the political "losses" because they are not losses, just another chapter.





Citizens' Climate Lobby Canada Lobby Climatique des Citoyens

A Solution: The Carbon Fee and Dividend Proposal

Proposed Findings:

1. **Causation:** Whereas scientific evidence indicates that greenhouse gas emissions from burning fossil fuels and other sources are causing rising global temperatures,
2. **Mitigation (Return to 350 ppm or Below):** "Whereas a return from the current concentration of approximately 400 parts per million ("ppm") of carbon dioxide ("CO₂") in the atmosphere to 350 ppm CO₂ or less is necessary to preserve a planet similar to that on which civilization developed and to which life on Earth is adapted,"
3. **Endangerment:** Whereas further increases in global temperatures pose imminent and substantial dangers to human health, the natural environment, the economy and national security and an unacceptable risk of catastrophic impacts to human civilization,
4. **Co-Benefits:** Whereas the measures proposed in this legislation will also benefit the economy, human health and the environment even without consideration of global climate disruption, as a result of reductions in non-greenhouse-gas pollutants,
5. **Benefits of Carbon Fees:** Whereas predictably rising carbon fees on fossil fuels are the most economically efficient, transparent and enforceable mechanism to drive a transition to a low-carbon economy, by giving all businesses and individuals a powerful incentive to reduce their carbon footprints,
6. **Equal Monthly Per-Person Dividends:** Whereas equal monthly dividends (or "rebates") from carbon fees paid to each Canadian household will equitably recycle revenue obtained from carbon fees, and can help ensure that families and individuals can afford the energy they need during the transition to a clean energy economy.

Therefore the following legislation is proposed:

1. **Collection of Carbon Fees/Carbon Fee Trust Fund:** Beginning July 1, 20XX, impose a carbon fee on all fossil fuels (oil, coal, and natural gas) at their first point of sale. Yearly price increases shall continue until Canada's total CO₂ emissions have declined to 10% of the level of Canada's CO₂ emissions for calendar year 1990. Every five years the Ministry of Finance, in consultation with the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change, will conduct a study on the economic and environmental impacts of the carbon fee, to determine whether an increase in the rate of annual increase of the carbon fee to greater than \$10/tonne CO₂ /year is required to achieve Canada's short-term greenhouse gas reduction targets. In no case, however, shall the annual increase in the carbon fee be less than \$10 until the target of 10% of calendar year 1990 emissions is reached.
2. **Equal Per-Person Monthly Dividend Payments:** The revenue collected from carbon fees shall be distributed as equal monthly per-person dividend payments to be made to all Canadians (1/2 per child under 18 years old, with a limit of 2 children per family).
3. **Border Adjustments:** In order to ensure that Canadian products can remain competitive, Carbon-Fee-Equivalent Tariffs shall be charged for goods entering Canada from countries without comparable Carbon Fees/Carbon Pricing. Carbon- Fee-Equivalent Rebates –may also be used to reduce the price of exports to such countries.
4. **Direct use of Fuel:** Direct use of a fossil fuel by a producer or importer shall be subject to the carbon fee in the same manner as if the fuel were sold.
5. **Emissions from Non-Fossil Fuel Sources:** The Ministry of Finance, in consultation with the Ministry of the Environment, will develop assessment procedures to the end that all readily measurable greenhouse gas

emissions not arising from fossil fuel combustion (e.g. CO₂ emissions associated with industrial processes; methane release) will also become subject to the Carbon fee, based on their CO₂-equivalent greenhouse gas potential.

6. Phase-Out of Fossil Fuel Subsidies: All existing subsidies of fossil fuels including tax credits shall be phased out over the five years following enactment.

7. Moratorium on New or Expanded Coal-Fired Power Plants: Beginning on the date of enactment, there shall be no new coal-fired power plants permitted or constructed. There shall also be no expansion in capacity of any existing coal power plants.

8. Seeking Treaties: The Government of Canada shall seek treaties with other countries that encourage adoption of programs similar to the ones provided for in this Act to reduce CO₂ and other greenhouse gas emissions.

Une solution: La proposition de prélèvement et de dividende carbone

Constatations proposées:

1. Causalité: Attendu que le poids de la preuve scientifique indique que les émissions de gaz à effet de serre issues notamment de la consommation de combustibles fossiles provoquent une élévation de la température mondiale;

2. Atténuation (retour à une concentration égale ou inférieure à 350 ppm): Attendu que le poids de la preuve scientifique indique également qu'il faudra réduire la concentration atmosphérique actuelle de plus de 400 parties par million (« ppm ») de dioxyde de carbone (CO₂) à une concentration égale ou inférieure à 350 ppm de CO₂ pour permettre à la planète de demeurer dans un état similaire à celui dans lequel la civilisation s'est développée et où la vie terrestre s'est adaptée;

3. Mise en danger : Attendu que d'autres hausses des températures mondiales constituent une menace imminente et sérieuse pour la santé humaine, l'environnement naturel, l'économie et la sécurité nationale, et donc un risque inacceptable de conséquences catastrophiques pour la civilisation;

4. Avantages partagés: Attendu que les mesures proposées dans cette loi seront avantageuses pour l'économie, la santé humaine, l'environnement et la sécurité nationale en raison des progrès technologiques accomplis dans le domaine de l'énergie propre et des réductions des polluants autres que les gaz à effet de serre, et ce, même en ne prenant pas en considération les températures mondiales;

5. Avantages des prélèvements carbone: Attendu que les prélèvements carbone sur les combustibles fossiles mis en vigueur progressivement (1) constituent le mécanisme le plus efficace, le plus transparent et le mieux adapté pour entraîner une transition effective et équitable vers une économie de l'énergie propre; (2) stimuleront l'investissement dans les technologies liées à l'énergie verte parce qu'ils garantiront la perte de l'avantage concurrentiel des combustibles fossiles en matière de prix sur l'énergie propre en 10 ans; (3) offrent à toutes les entreprises des mesures incitatives convaincantes pour accroître leur efficacité énergétique et réduire leur empreinte carbone afin de conserver leur capacité concurrentielle; (4) procurent aux foyers une mesure d'encouragement pour les inciter à réduire leur utilisation de carbone;

6. Dividendes mensuels équitables par personne: Attendu que le versement à chaque Canadien, tous les mois, de dividendes équitables (ou « ristournes ») provenant des prélèvements carbone fera en sorte que les familles et les particuliers disposeront des moyens nécessaires pour acquérir l'énergie dont ils ont besoin pendant la période de transition vers une économie de l'énergie propre et que les dividendes stimuleront l'économie;

Par conséquent, la loi suivante est promulguée par la présente:

1. Perception des prélèvements carbone/fonds fiduciaire des prélèvements carbone: Dès le 1 juillet 20XX, il sera imposé un prélèvement carbone sur tous les combustibles fossiles (pétrole, gaz naturel et charbon) à leur point de vente. Des augmentations de prix annuelles auront lieu jusqu'à ce que la production totale des émissions de CO₂ canadienne ait décliné à 10% du niveau de production des émissions de CO₂ en 1990. Tous les cinq ans, le ministre des finances, en partenariat avec le ministre de l'environnement, conduira une recherche sur les impacts économiques et environnementaux du frais sur le carbone afin de déterminer si une

hausse du taux d'augmentation annuelle de 10\$/la tonne de CO2 est nécessaire pour que le Canada atteigne ses objectifs à court terme de réduction des gaz à effet de serre. Cependant, en aucun cas le prix de la hausse annuelle du frais de carbone ne pourra être inférieure à 10\$, et ce, jusqu'à ce que l'objectif de 10% des émissions produites en 1990 n'ait été atteint.

L'Agence du revenu du Canada percevra les prélèvements. Ce jour-là, le prélèvement devra être de l'ordre de 15 \$ par tonne d'émissions d'équivalent CO2 et donnera lieu à des charges identiques pour chaque tonne potentielle d'émissions d'équivalent CO2 liées à chaque type de combustible. Ressources naturelles Canada devra proposer et promulguer des règlements qui prévoient d'autres prélèvements d'équivalent CO2 pour d'autres gaz à effet de serre, comme le méthane, l'oxyde de diazote, l'hexafluorure de soufre, les hydrurofluorocarbones (HFC) émis en tant que sous-produit, les tétrafluorométhanes et le trifluorure d'azote. L'Agence du revenu du Canada percevra également les prélèvements imposés sur d'autres gaz à effet de serre. Tous les prélèvements, d'abord versés dans le fonds fiduciaire des prélèvements carbone, feront l'objet d'une remise intégrale aux foyers canadiens, comme il est mentionné plus bas.

2. **Paiements mensuels de dividendes sur une base égalitaire:** Les revenus collectés par les frais de carbone seront distribués en versements mensuels égaux à chaque Canadien ($\frac{1}{2}$ pour les enfants de moins de 18 ans avec une limite de deux enfants par famille);
3. **Assurance que l'énergie propre deviendra concurrentielle en 10 ans:** La hausse annuelle du prélèvement carbone, qui comprend d'autres gaz à effet de serre, sera d'au moins 10 \$ par tonne d'équivalent CO2 chaque année, pour faire en sorte que l'énergie liée aux combustibles fossiles perde son avantage concurrentiel en matière de prix par rapport aux technologies liées à l'énergie propre dont nous disposons aujourd'hui, à savoir, pour le moins, l'énergie éolienne et l'énergie solaire industrielle, 10 ans après la date de promulgation. Chaque année, Ressources naturelles Canada déterminera s'il est nécessaire d'appliquer une hausse supérieure à 10 \$ par tonne pour atteindre les objectifs du programme. Les hausses annuelles de prix d'au moins 10 \$ par tonne perdureront jusqu'à l'atteinte d'une réduction de 10 % des émissions canadiennes d'équivalent CO2 par rapport aux émissions de 1990.
4. **Ajustements frontaliers:** Afin que les produits de fabrication canadienne conservent leur capacité concurrentielle à l'échelle nationale et internationale, des tarifs douaniers équivalents aux prélèvements carbone seront appliqués aux produits qui entreront au Canada en provenance de pays sans mesures équivalentes aux prélèvements carbone/prix carbone. Des ristournes équivalentes aux prélèvements carbone permettront de réduire le prix des exportations vers ces pays et feront en sorte que les produits canadiens y demeurent concurrentiels. Le ministère des Affaires étrangères, du Commerce et du Développement établira le montant des ristournes et des exemptions, le cas échéant.
5. **Usage direct de l'essence:** L'usage direct de carburant par un producteur ou un importateur sera sujet au frais de carbone comme si ce carburant était vendu;
6. **Émission de sources de carburants non-fossiles:** Le ministre des finances, en partenariat avec le ministre de l'environnement, développera un programme d'évaluation des procédures afin que tous les gaz à effet de serre déjà quantifiables qui ne proviennent pas de la combustion de carburants fossiles (comme la libération de méthane) deviennent aussi sujets au frais de carbone, et ce, basé sur leur potentiel équivalent de production de gaz à effet de serre à celui du CO2;
7. **Suppression progressive des subventions pour les frais de carburants fossiles:** Toutes les subventions existantes pour les frais de carburants fossiles, incluant notamment les crédits d'impôt et les encouragements fiscaux, seront supprimées progressivement dans les cinq ans suivant la promulgation;
8. **Moratoire sur les nouvelles centrales au charbon ou l'agrandissement de ce type de centrales:** La date de promulgation marquera la fin de toute autorisation, construction ou exploitation de nouvelles centrales au charbon. De même, aucun agrandissement de la capacité d'une centrale au charbon existante ne sera autorisé, entrepris ou exploité; La construction ou la mise en marche d'une centrale au charbon autorisée plus tôt sera interrompue.
9. **Conclusion de traités:** Le gouvernement du Canada cherchera à conclure des traités avec d'autres pays qui encouragent l'adoption de programmes de la même nature que ceux prévus dans cette loi, en vue de réduire le CO2 et l'émission d'autres gaz à effet de serre.

Citizens' Climate Lobby

How Carbon Fee and Dividend Works



The government levies an incrementally increasing fee on the carbon content of fossil fuels at the source



100% of the money collected is given to the people on an equal basis in a cheque to help with price increases



ECONOMICS 101
Costs are passed onto consumers and they consume less carbon. CO₂ emissions go down ↓



MARKET SOLUTION
The predictable price on carbon spurs clean tech investment & innovation. CO₂ emissions go down ↓

Why we prefer a revenue neutral carbon fee



HELPS FAMILIES
A 100% rebate will protect the poor and middle class



NON PARTISAN
MPs and premiers whose base do not like tax increases can still vote the right way



MARKET SOLUTION
Efficient & direct market signal. Thus government does not pick the energy winners & losers



RAMPING UP
To maintain public support to stabilize CO₂ emissions, citizens will need a significant dividend.

Carbon Fee and Dividend Helps Ordinary Families



The government puts an incrementally increasing fee on the carbon content of fossil fuels at the source



100% of the fees are given to Canadians on an equal basis regardless of their carbon footprint



REDUCES INCOME INEQUALITY
This is because the poor are inherently more carbon virtuous. The top 1% of earners consume 6X as much CO₂ as the bottom 10%

Tax our pollution not our income

PROGRESSIVE TAX
Our policy would discourage destructive consumptive habits and reward good consumer choices

Find out more at canada.citizensclimatelobby.org

Lobby Climatique des Citoyens



Comment fonctionne la tarification du carbone avec dividende



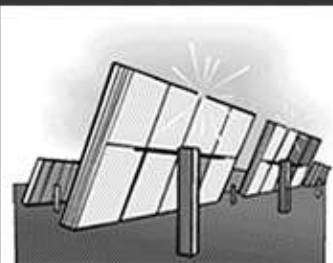
Le gouvernement prélève des frais progressifs à la source sur le contenu en carbone des produits fossiles.



Pour compenser la hausse des prix, le frais est remboursé intégralement et équitablement aux ménages, sous forme de chèques. ↑



Économie 101
Lorsque le prix des combustibles fossiles augmente, le consommateur limite sa consommation. Les émissions de Co2 diminuent. ↓



Loi du marché
Le prix élevé de l'énergie fossile encourage la transition vers une économie de l'énergie verte et durable. Les émissions de Co2 diminuent. ↓

Pourquoi une tarification sur le carbone sans incidence fiscale?



Aide les familles
Un rabais de 100% protégera le pauvre et moyen classe



Non partisan
Les députés et ministres peuvent appuyer ouvertement la nouvelle tarification, indépendamment de l'agenda de leur parti.



Loi du marché
Signal clair et efficace lancé auprès du marché de l'énergie. Aucune intervention gouvernementale n'est nécessaire seule la loi du marché s'applique.



Faire mieux
Pour que le public continue d'appuyer les efforts de contrôle des émissions, les citoyens doivent recevoir un dividende significatif.

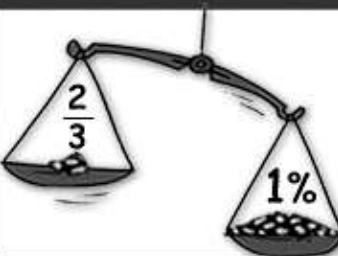
La tarification du carbone avec dividende aide la famille



Le gouvernement impose à la source une taxe progressive sur les émissions de carbone.



100% des revenus du carbone est redistribué également à tous les Canadiens, sans égard à leur empreinte carbone.



Pour le 2/3 des gens, les dividendes outrepassent les frais, le 1% des mieux rémunérés consomme 6 fois plus de Co2 que les 10% situés en bas de l'échelle.



Avec la nouvelle tarification, les travailleurs situés dans les dernier 20% de l'échelle salariale recevront un chèque couvrant 150% des frais dus à la hausse.

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CARBON FEE AND DIVIDEND - REMI Report

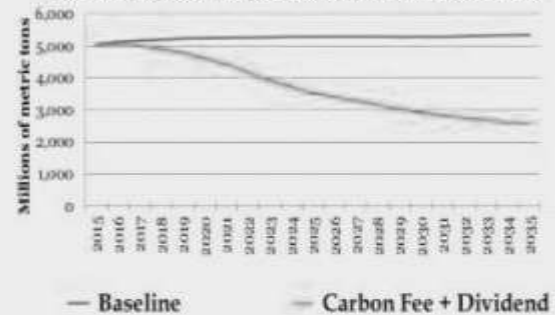
On June 9, 2014, Citizens' Climate Lobby released [a study](#) from Regional Economic Models, Inc. (REMI) that examined the impact of a steadily-rising fee on carbon-based fuels with revenue from that fee returned to households in equal shares. With the fee starting at \$10 per ton of carbon dioxide and rising \$10 per ton each year, the major findings were:

- In 20 years, CO2 emissions would be reduced 50 percent below 1990 levels.
- Because of the economic stimulus of recycling carbon fee revenue back to households, in 20 years, 2.8 million jobs would be added to the American economy.
- Improved air quality would result in 230,000 premature deaths avoided over 20 years.

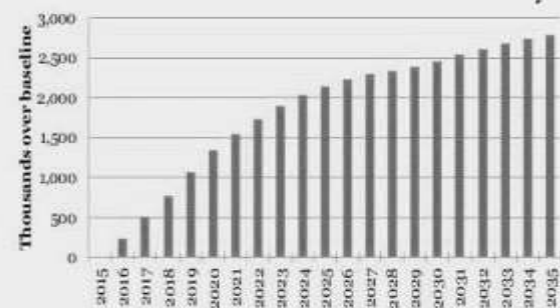
REMI Study Highlights

- CO2 emissions decline 33% after only 10 years, and 52% after 20 years relative to the baseline, \$0/ton of CO2 case.
- National employment increases by 2.1 million jobs after 10 years, and 2.8 million after 20 years. This is more than a 1% increase in total US employment we don't get without a carbon tax.
- 13,000 lives are saved annually after 10 years, with a cumulative 227,000 American lives saved over 20 years.
- \$70-\$85 billion increase in GDP from 2020 on, with a cumulative increase in national GDP due to F&D of \$1.375 trillion
- Size of monthly dividend for a family of 4 with two adults in 2025 = \$288, and in 2035 = \$396. Annually, this is \$3,456 per family of 4 in 2025 (\$1152 per capita—children get 1/2 dividend)
- Electricity prices peak in 2026, then start to decrease.
- Real incomes increase by more than \$500 per person in 2025. This increase accounts for cost of living increases.
- Maximum cost-of-living increase by 2035 is 1.7-2.5%, depending on region.
- Electricity generation from coal is phased-out by 2025.
- Biggest employment gains in healthcare, retail, and other services (excluding public administration). This is because people have more money in their pockets to spend, and these industries are labor-intensive, responding to increased consumer spending by creating more jobs.
- Regional Gross Product is steady or rising in all 9 regions.

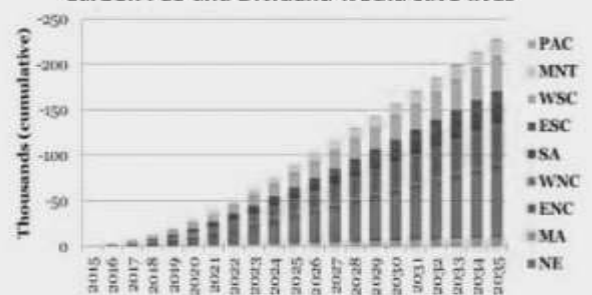
Carbon Fee and Dividend would cut emissions



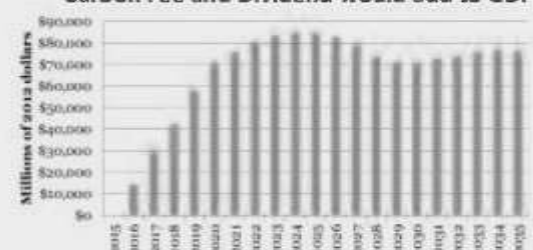
Carbon Fee and Dividend would add 2.8 million jobs



Carbon Fee and Dividend would save lives



Carbon Fee and Dividend would add to GDP



Open Letter to the Government of Canada Lettre ouverte au gouvernement du Canada



Launched on Earth Day 2017, Citizens' Climate Lobby Canada's open letter calls on the federal carbon fee, which begins in 2018, to rise annually to 2030. The letter also urges the federal government to ensure that the rising fee is fair across provincial and international borders. It calls for a comprehensive fee applied as far upstream as possible – at the wellhead and point of entry for import – in all provinces, and to apply the fee to international industrial competitors through a border tax adjustment.

On October 2, 2017, the City of Toronto signed our Open Letter. The effort was led by Cheryl McNamara and included Doug Pritchard, Rita Bijons, Liz Rice, Lyn Adamson, Tom Cullen, Cathy Lacroix, as well as Dusha Sritharan from the Toronto Environmental Alliance.

"If adopted by the federal government, our proposals will complement the City of Toronto's efforts to reduce carbon emissions and transition to a clean energy economy as outlined in TransformTO, which the City passed in July this year," says Cheryl McNamara who founded the CCL Toronto chapter and spearheaded Toronto's support for the open letter. "All of us at CCL are grateful for the support of Councillor Mary-Margaret McMahon, Chair of Parks of Environment Committee, to Councillor Sarah Doucette for including the open letter in the Committee's September 8 meeting, and to all Committee members and Councillors for approving it."



More than 200 companies across Canada have signed the open letter to date, including Analytica Advisors, Bullfrog Power, The Climate Reality Project Canada, Desjardins Caisse Populaire, Mountain Equipment Coop, Save Our Seas and Shores Merigomish NS, the Toronto Environmental Alliance, and several renewable energy associations, including Canadian Solar Industries Association (CanSIA), as well as local businesses that range from golf clubs to auto shops.

We only have just begun. We plan to continue to secure signatures to our open letter and build political will for an effective carbon pricing in our ridings, regions, provincially and nationally right up until Election 2019.

Open Letter Undersigned – 229 signatures as of October 15, 2017

1. A Thing of Beauty Lingerie (Nelson, BC)
2. A&A Painting Ltd. (Nelson, BC)
3. Aeolis Wind (Sidney, BC)
4. Acure Consulting Inc. (Burnaby, BC)
5. Aliments Naturels LA FORÊT Natural Foods (Wakefield, QC)
6. Analytica Advisors (Ottawa, ON)
7. Appy Cafe (Nelson, BC)
8. Architecture Unfolded (Toronto, ON)
9. Arctern Ventures (Toronto, ON)
10. Assurance Rivet Insurance (Northeastern, ON)
11. ATD Waste Systems Inc. (Vancouver, BC)
12. Avalon Mechanical Consultants Ltd. (Victoria and Nanaimo, BC)
13. Back Roads Brewing (Nelson, BC)
14. Bandidas Taqueria (Vancouver, BC)
15. Bélanger Construction Company (Chelmsford, ON)
16. Betsy Webb: Massage Therapy, MLD & MFR (Halifax, NS)
17. Blue Fuel Energy (Sidney, BC)
18. Blue Sky Clothing (North Vancouver, BC)
19. BlueGreen Consulting Group (Toronto, ON)
20. Board of Change (Vancouver, BC)
21. Boldt Communications Inc. (Vancouver, BC)
22. Bullfrog Power (National)
23. Canadian Methanol (Sidney, BC)
24. Canadian Solar Industries Association (CanSIA) (National)
25. Canadian Wind Energy Association (National)
26. Canadian Unitarians for Social Justice (National)
27. Carbon Free Group (Vancouver, BC)
28. Carbon Neutral Shredding (Toronto, ON)
29. Cartems Donuterie (Vancouver, BC)
30. Cause+Effect (Vancouver, BC)
31. Cedar Green Golf Course (Greater Sudbury, ON)
32. Celena's Bakery (Toronto, ON)
33. Chambar (Vancouver, BC)
34. Chapter One Studio (National Capital Region, ON)
35. Chartreuse Style (Toronto, ON)
36. Chelmsford Golf Course (Greater Sudbury, ON)
37. Chelmsford Vacuum (Greater Sudbury, ON)
38. Chinook Power Corp. (North Vancouver, BC)
39. Cildara Contracting Ltd. (Woodbridge, ON)
40. Ciraco Custom Framers Inc. (Toronto, ON)
41. CircuitMeter Inc. (Ajax, ON)
42. Circus Coffee House (Toronto, ON)
43. Citizens for Public Justice (National)
44. City of Toronto (Toronto, ON)
45. Cityscape Displays (Mississauga, ON)
46. Climate Action for Baby Boomers (Erin, ON)
47. ClimateFast (Toronto, ON)
48. Coalition for a Liveable Sudbury (Sudbury, ON)
49. Collabo (Vancouver, BC and Calgary, AB)
50. Compy, Inc. (Surrey, BC)
51. Coolearth Architecture inc. (Toronto, ON)
52. CoPower (Montreal, QC)
53. Cornerstone Architecture Incorporated (London, ON)
54. Cotton Creek Clothing (Nelson, BC)
55. Cousin Vinny's Restaurant & Bar (Hanmer, ON)
56. Cove Continuity Advisors Inc. (North Vancouver, BC)
57. Creekside Yoga (Stirling, ON)
58. Cremation Urns by Legacy (Nelson, BC)
59. CTAZZ SOLAR ENERGY (Thompson, MB)
60. Cultivate Design (Toronto, ON)
61. Cycle City Tours and Rentals (Vancouver, BC)
62. Cycle Couture (Toronto, ON)
63. Dageraad Brewing (Burnaby, BC)
64. Danforth Auto Centre (Toronto, ON)
65. Desjardins Caisse Populaire Vallée Est (Val Caron, ON)
66. Desjardins Caisse Populaire Vermillion (Vermillion, ON)
67. Desjardins Caisse Populaire Voyageur (Greater Sudbury, ON)
68. Discovery Child Care Centre (Barrie, ON)
69. dkstudio (Toronto, ON)
70. Dom's Deodorant (Salt Spring Island, BC)
71. Downtowne Ice Cream Shoppe (Merrickville, ON)
72. Duo Building Ltd (London, ON)
73. Duvon Holdings Ltd (Surrey, BC)
74. Eagle-Eye Tours (Windermere, BC)
75. Earnest Ice Cream (Vancouver, BC)
76. Eclipse Awards (Vancouver, BC)
77. ECO Delights (Edmonton, AB)
78. eco-Options Energy Cooperative (White Rock, BC)
79. Eight Ounce Coffee (Calgary, AB)
80. Elastic Mind (Toronto, ON)
81. Empower RE (Creston, BC)
82. Energy Revolution Services (Vancouver, BC)
83. EnertechGeo (Canadian Division)
84. Entre Amis Hair & Esthetics (Chelmsford, ON)
85. Esquire Fashions (Chelmsford and Sudbury, ON)
86. Ever Building Films (Greater Sudbury, ON)
87. Ewing Insolutions Inc. (Nelson, BC)
88. Expedition Engineering (Ucluelet, BC)
89. Fairware (Vancouver, BC)
90. FENIGO (Waterloo, ON)
91. Fênix Energy Solutions Ltd. (Burnaby, BC)
92. Flexible Heat Solutions Inc. (Creemore, ON)
93. Forest Ridge Golf and Country Club (Sudbury, ON)
94. Gaia Janitorial Services (Castlegar + South Slokan, BC)
95. Gaia Rising (Nelson, BC)
96. Gerick's Cycle & Ski (Nelson, BC)
97. Glade Organics (Glade, BC)
98. Global Consulting (Montreal, QC)
99. Geosource Energy Inc (Caledonia, ON)
100. Good Thing Sound Recording (Toronto, ON)
101. Green 13 (Toronto, ON)
102. Green Coast Rubbish In. (Vancouver and North Vancouver, BC)
103. Green Girl Consulting (Toronto, ON)
104. Green Neighbours 21 (Toronto, ON)
105. Green Sky Sustainability Consulting Inc. (Vancouver, BC)
106. Greenbilt Homes Ltd. (Toronto, ON)
107. Greening Homes (Toronto, ON)
108. Guelph Solar (Guelph, ON)
109. Harvey McKinnon Associates (Vancouver, BC)
110. Hearing Freedom/Clinique de Solutions Auditives (Manotick, ON)
111. Hemisphere Games (Nelson, BC)
112. Holtby Consulting (Nelson, BC)
113. HTEC Hydrogen Technology & Energy Corporation (Nelson, BC)
114. Indigenous Perspectives Society (Victoria, BC)
115. Innergeex Renewable Energy (Vancouver, BC and Longueuil, QC)
116. Inspirations from the Forest (Bancroft, ON)
117. ISolara Solar Power (Ottawa, ON)
118. Jeff Nield Personal Real Estate Corporation (Nelson, BC)
119. John Ward Fine Coffee (Nelson, BC)
120. KAIROS Halifax (Halifax, NS)
121. Kaslo and Area Chamber of Commerce (Kaslo, BC)
122. Keen Media (White Rock, BC)
123. Kootenay Carshare Cooperative (Kootenay, BC)
124. Kootenay Country Store Co-operative (Kootenay, BC)
125. Kootenay Mountain Holidays Inc./ Mountain High recreations ltd (Kootenay, BC)
126. Lanefab Design/Build (Vancouver, BC)
127. Le Meadow's Pantry (Vancouver, BC)
128. Les Entreprises TerrAm(i)es (Rawdon, QC)
129. Les W Kuzyk, Author (Calgary, AB)
130. LGA Architectural Partners (Toronto, ON)
131. Life Without Plastic (Wakefield, QC)
132. Light Knights Lighting (Vancouver, BC)
133. Lowell Lo Design Inc. Architect (Toronto, ON)
134. Lunapads (Vancouver, BC)
135. Martech Smart Solutions (Castlegar, BC)
136. Mazzi Consulting Services (Vancouver, BC)
137. MEC (Mountain Equipment Co-op) (National)
138. MKI Wind Energy (Kelowna, BC)
139. Mills Office Productivity (Vancouver, BC)
140. Minerva Research & Communications (Salt Spring Island, BC)
141. Minotaur Ventilation Inc. (Montreal, QC)
142. Mix 40 Convenience Store (Toronto, ON)
143. Moberly Natural Foods (Toronto, ON)
144. Monica E. Kuhn Architect Inc. (Toronto, ON)
145. Montevista Golf Course (Greater Sudbury, ON)
146. Morgan Solar Inc. (Toronto, ON)
147. MountainBaby (Nelson, BC)
148. Nada (Vancouver, BC)
149. Nature's Health (Nelson, BC)
150. Nelson Brewing Company (Nelson West Kootenay, BC)
151. Nelson Remedy's Rx (Nelson, BC)
152. Ontario Sustainable Energy Association (ON)
153. Oso Solar (New Denver, BC)
154. Ottawa Renewable Energy Co-operative (National Capital Region, ON)
155. Otter Books (Nelson, BC)
156. Our Horizon (Toronto, ON)
157. Pedego Canada (Nelson, BC)
158. Pine Grove Golf Course (Greater Sudbury, ON)
159. Pinwheel Structures (St. Catharines, ON)
160. Pura Vita Holistic Wellness (Chelmsford, ON)
161. PuroClean Restoration (York Durham North, ON location)
162. Radiant Technical Services (Ottawa, ON)
163. Rangat North Woodworking Solutions Inc. (Vancouver, BC)
164. ReCharged (Vancouver, BC)
165. Repair Factory (Nelson, BC)
166. Recollective Consulting (Vancouver, BC)
167. Remedy's Rx Pharmacy (Nelson, BC)
168. Renaissance Hair Gallery and Spa (Nelson, BC)
169. RETALLACK (Nelson, BC)
170. REV Strength & Conditioning (South Slokan, BC)
171. Rivercourt Engineering Inc. (Toronto, ON)
172. Rob's Good Food (Toronto, ON)
173. Rosehall Run Vineyards (Wellington, ON)
174. Royal Beef (Toronto, ON)
175. Sage Living (Toronto, ON)
176. Salute Cafe Coffee Company Ltd (Sudbury, ON)
177. Saul Good Gift Co. (Toronto, ON, Vancouver, BC, and Calgary, AB)
178. Save our seas and Shores Coalition Merigomish (NS)
179. Secret Service Cycles (Nelson, BC)
180. Seniors North (Greater Sudbury, ON)
181. SES Consulting Inc. (Vancouver, BC)
182. Shanti Yoga (Nelson, BC)
183. Sharp Six Services (Coast Salish and Vancouver, BC)
184. Silly Goose Kids Inc. (Toronto, ON)
185. Silverking Soya Foods (Delta, BC)
186. Snowy Mountain Organics (Cawston, BC)
187. Solares Architecture (Toronto, ON)
188. Solea Resources (Vancouver, BC)
189. SolShare Energy (BC)
190. Spirit of the West Adventures (Heriot Bay, BC)
191. SPUD.ca (Vancouver, BC)
192. Stone Event Imports (North Vancouver, BC)
193. Stone Hill Golf Course (Greater Sudbury, ON)
194. Sun Bright Solar (Maple Ridge, BC)
195. Sunny Start-Up Marketing (Vancouver, BC)
196. Sustainability Solutions Group (Vancouver, BC)
197. Sustainability Ventures (West Vancouver, BC)
198. Sustainable Youth Canada (National)
199. Sylvain Turgeon Consulting (Nelson, BC)
200. Tapwema Press a Division of Lytewerx Writing, Art and Tutoring Services (Halifax, NS)
201. The Architect Builders Collaborative Inc. (Toronto)
202. The Cleaning Solution Society (Vancouver, BC)
203. The Climate Reality Project Canada (National)
204. The Cyclopath Danforth (Toronto, ON)
205. The Drop Distribution (Toronto, ON)
206. The Forest Communication Design (Toronto, ON)
207. The Fourth Pig (Greater Toronto, ON)
208. The Kerrisdale Lumber Company (Vancouver, BC)
209. The Magdalene Project (Vancouver, BC)
210. The Uphill Bakery (Nelson, BC)
211. TheGreenInterview.com (Cape Breton, NS)
212. Timberwolf Golf Course (Greater Sudbury, ON)
213. Toronto Renewable Energy Cooperative (TREC) (Toronto, ON)
214. Toronto Environmental Alliance (Toronto, ON)
215. Travesia Partners (Vancouver, BC)
216. Trends Electronics (Burnaby, BC)
217. Umbrella Property Services (Vancouver, BC)
218. Valerie's Fermented Foods and Seasonal Soups (Nelson, BC)
219. Valhalla Pure Outfitters (Nelson, BC)
220. Valley Voice (Slokan, BC)
221. Van City Studios (Greater Vancouver, BC)
222. Vancouver Renewable Energy (VREC) (Greater Vancouver, BC)
223. VeloMetro Mobility Inc. (Greater Vancouver, BC)
224. Walas Concepts Inc. (Vancouver, BC)
225. Wee Wilds (National)
226. Westpark Electric (Chilliwack, BC)
227. Wharfhouse Business Services (Nelson, BC)
228. Woodbine Animal Clinic (Toronto, ON)
229. Zero Waste Solutions (Nelson, BC)

Citizens' Climate Lobby Canada's Request that the Standing Committee on Natural Resources Redouble Their Efforts to Eliminate Fossil Fuel Industry Subsidies

–May 2017–

About CCL Canada: Citizens' Climate Lobby is a non-profit, non-partisan, grassroots advocacy organization creating the political will for a livable planet. Since September 2010, our volunteer members have been lobbying their MPs for a [carbon fee and dividend](#) proposal which includes the following clause:

"All existing subsidies of fossil fuels including tax credits shall be phased out over the five years following enactment [of a carbon price]."

Appreciation: We are thankful that Canadians now have a nationally-coordinated carbon pricing policy and have embarked in earnest on a 35-year transition towards creating an energy system that will be almost 100% fossil fuel free by 2050.

We acknowledge that Canada's long-term prosperity is dependent on the sustainable use of our natural resources. We understand that extraction industries see a need for preferential tax treatment to countervail their high capital requirements and long timescales. We appreciate recent actions to evolve these provisions:

- Certain types of wells are being reclassified from Canadian Exploration Expenses (**CEE**) to Canadian Development Expenses (**CDE**) in the 2017 budget.
- The Accelerated Capital Cost Allowances (**ACCAs**) for oil sands expired in 2015 and coal expires in 2020.
- **ACCAs** remain available for renewable projects, and the 2017 budget opens a geothermal category.
- The Clean Energy Fund has made Canada a world leader in Carbon Capture and Storage technology.
- The recently expanded Northern Responsible Energy Approach for Community Heat and Electricity Program.

Prime Minister's Mandate Letters:

Natural Resources Minister Carr has been mandated to work with Finance Minister Morneau to:

"explore opportunities to enhance existing tax measures to generate more clean technology investments and engage with provinces and territories to make Canada the world's most competitive tax jurisdiction for investments in the research, development and manufacturing of clean technology."

Finance Minister Morneau has also been mandated to:

"fulfill our G20 commitment and phase out subsidies for the fossil fuel industry over the medium-term"

This directly impacts Natural Resources Canada.

Our key concerns: Canadians accepted some targeted subsidies as the necessary price of prosperity and good jobs in the past. However, future production of our fossil fuel reserves will be constrained by the world's carbon budget, and continued subsidies will provide diminishing returns. It no longer makes sense to buttress the fossil fuel sector against the tide of history.

There is an urgent need to reconsider the fossil fuel industry's economic value chain in light of climate change. Negative taxes are artificially incentivizing companies to sink costs into infrastructure with [dubious](#) prospects. The costs of [orphaned wells](#), tailing ponds, [climate disruptions](#), and other externalities will be borne by future taxpayers long after fossil fuels have ceased to generate wealth. Climate change is a game changer.

Support for outdated policies can carry opportunity costs as well. Without smart new policy to build markets, unlock private finance, and secure innovation, our nation's clean-technology sector will quickly fall behind – according to a recent study [by Analytica Advisors](#).

Development of new reserves in the Arctic is particularly risky given the Arctic's fragile ecosystem and the industry's questionable capacity to clean up oil spills. We applaud the ban on new offshore permits but wonder about the risks from pre-existing permits and leases.

Our Requests:

We request a redoubling of efforts to eliminate subsidies to the fossil fuel industry:

- Re-examine the fossil fuel value chain to see where incentives can be modified to [wind down](#) the sector in an orderly and expedient manner.
- Grant the Auditor General access to all analyses.
- Define the "medium-term" timeline for phase outs.
- Analyze the macroeconomic consequences that stranded assets will have on the Canadian economy.
- Compare the jobs created by investments in fossil fuels versus clean energy technology.
- Itemize the environmental clean-up costs taxpayers will be responsible for when fossil fuels are obsolete.
- Reconsider the allowance rate for CDE.
- Phase out ACCA for liquefied natural gas projects.
- Invite input from outside the fossil fuel industry, such as from Pembina, IISD, and First Nations.



Le LCC du Canada demande que le Comité permanent des ressources naturelles redouble d'efforts afin d'éliminer les subventions destinées à l'industrie des combustibles fossiles

–Juin 2017–

Au sujet de LCC Canada : Le Lobby climatique des citoyens est un organisme de revendication communautaire sans but lucratif et non-partisan qui vise à créer le vouloir politique pour une planète habitable. Depuis 2010, nos membres bénévoles tentent de sensibiliser leurs députés à la [proposition sur les tarifs et dividendes](#) sur le carbone qui comprend la clause suivante :

« Toutes les subventions destinées aux combustibles fossiles, y compris les crédits d'impôt, présentement en vigueur devront être supprimées sur une période de cinq années suite à la promulgation [d'un tarif sur le carbone]. »

Appréciation : Nous apprécions que le Canada bénéficie maintenant d'une approche coordonnée nationale portant sur les tarifs sur le carbone et se soit sérieusement engagé à la mise en œuvre d'un processus de transition au cours des 35 prochaines années afin de créer un système énergétique n'utilisant aucun combustible fossile d'ici 2050.

Nous reconnaissons que la prospérité à long terme du Canada repose sur une utilisation durable de ses ressources naturelles. Nous comprenons que les industries de l'extraction considèrent qu'un traitement fiscal préférentiel est nécessaire pour compenser pour les exigences élevées en matière de fonds propres et les longs délais. Nous apprécions donc les récentes actions visant à faire évoluer ces dispositions :

- Certains types de puits ont été reclassés, passant de Frais d'exploration au Canada (**FEC**) à Frais d'aménagement au Canada (**FAC**) dans le budget de 2017.
- Les déductions pour amortissement accéléré (**DPAA**) pour les investissements dans les sables bitumineux sont venues à échéance en 2015 et celles sur le charbon le seront en 2020.
- Des **DPAA** continuent à être disponibles pour les projets d'énergie renouvelable et le budget de 2017 a ajouté une catégorie pour les projets d'énergie géothermique.
- Le Fonds pour l'énergie propre a permis au Canada de devenir un véritable chef de file mondial en matière de technologie pour la capture et le stockage du carbone.

- L'Approche responsable pour le développement énergétique des collectivités du Nord a récemment pris de l'ampleur.

Les lettres de mandat du premier ministre :

Le ministre des Ressources naturelles, M. Carr, a reçu le mandat de travailler avec le ministre des Finances, M. Morneau, afin de :

« tenter d'identifier des occasions pour améliorer les tarifs en vigueur dans le but de générer davantage d'investissements dans les technologies propres et d'inciter les provinces et territoires à faire du Canada le pays possédant les taux d'imposition les plus compétitifs au monde pour les investissements destinés à la recherche, au développement et la fabrication de l'énergie propre. »

Le ministre des Finances, M. Morneau, a aussi reçu le mandat de :

« s'acquitter de notre mandat envers le G20 visant à éliminer les subventions destinées à l'industrie basée sur les combustibles fossiles à moyen terme. »

Ceci a un impact direct sur le ministère des Ressources naturelles du Canada.

Nos principales préoccupations : Les Canadiens reconnaissent que certaines subventions ciblées sont nécessaires pour assurer la prospérité et la création de bons emplois comme autrefois. Toutefois, la production future de nos réserves de combustibles fossiles sera limitée par le budget du carbone mondial. De plus, les subventions continues généreront de moins en moins de revenus. Il n'est donc plus logique de pousser le secteur des combustibles fossiles à aller contre le courant de l'histoire.

En outre, il devient de plus en plus urgent de revoir la valeur économique de l'industrie des combustibles fossiles à la lumière des changements climatiques. En effet, les tarifs négatifs encouragent artificiellement les entreprises à investir des sommes dans leurs infrastructures malgré leurs perspectives discutables. De plus, les futurs [contribuables devront payer](#) le coût des puits et [bassins de résidus abandonnés](#), des [dérèglements climatiques](#) et des autres externalités longtemps après que les combustibles fossiles auront cessé de générer des revenus. Somme toute, les changements climatiques changent donc la donne.

Si nous continuons à appuyer des politiques dépassées, nous pourrions aussi manquer de réelles occasions. En effet, de nouvelles et solides politiques visant à bâtir des marchés, à accéder à des fonds privés et à assurer l'innovation empêcheront le secteur de l'énergie propre de notre pays à prendre du retard, selon une récente étude [de Analytica Advisors](#).

Le développement de nouvelles réserves dans l'Arctique est particulièrement risqué étant donné la fragilité de son écosystème et la capacité discutable de l'industrie à nettoyer les déversements de pétrole. Nous applaudissons donc l'interdiction de nouveaux permis en mer mais questionnons les risques engendrés par les permis et baux déjà accordés.

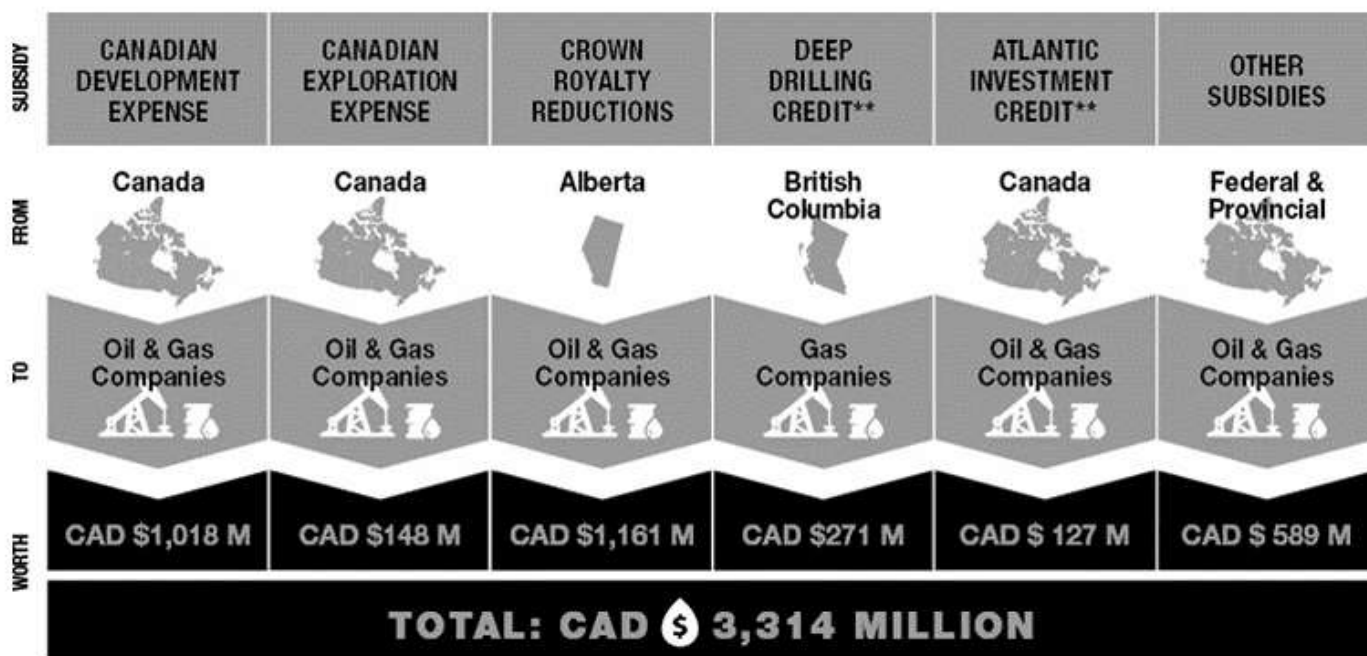
Nos requêtes:

Nous demandons de redoubler d'efforts afin d'éliminer les subventions destinées à l'industrie des combustibles fossiles, notamment en :

- Examinant à nouveau la chaîne de valeur des combustibles fossiles afin de déterminer quels

incitatifs peuvent être modifiés dans le but d'assurer la [réduction progressive](#) du secteur de façon ordonnée et efficace.

- Autorisant le vérificateur général d'avoir accès à toutes les analyses.
- Définissant la durée de temps « à moyen terme » pour les éliminations progressives.
- Analysant les conséquences macroéconomiques des actifs délaissés sur l'économie canadienne.
- Comparant le nombre d'emplois créés par les investissements dans les combustibles fossiles et ceux créés par la technologie énergétique propre.
- Détaillant les coûts que les contribuables devront défrayer pour nettoyer l'environnement lorsque les combustibles fossiles seront obsolètes.
- Réexaminant le taux d'indemnité du FAC.
- Éliminant progressivement les DPAA pour les projets de gaz naturel liquéfié.
- Sollicitant la contribution d'acteurs qui ne sont pas parties prenantes de l'industrie des combustibles fossiles, tels que Pembina, IISD ou les Premières nations.



Source: International Institute for Sustainable Development (2016)

Brief Description of a Carbon Border Tax Adjustment

1. Concurrent with the implementation of a border tax adjustment on carbon intensive products (carbon BTA), the United States would enact a domestic Pigouvian tax on carbon dioxide emissions, denominated in dollars per ton of CO₂-eq.
2. A closed set of “carbon intensive” products would be identified by whether they were “emission intensive and trade exposed” (EITE).
3. Both foreign and domestic producers of a carbon intensive product would use a greenhouse gas lifecycle analysis to identify the quantity of greenhouse gases emitted to the atmosphere in the production of that product (the “embedded emissions.”)
4. Importers of carbon intensive products would pay the product of the embedded emissions of the imported carbon intensive product and the rate of the domestic Pigouvian tax.
5. Importers of carbon intensive products would be credited for the mitigation efforts of the jurisdiction in which the carbon intensive product was manufactured.
6. Exporters of carbon intensive products would be refunded the product of the embedded emissions of the exported carbon intensive product and the rate of the domestic Pigouvian tax.
7. Exporters would have deducted from their refund any amount of carbon BTA that would otherwise be paid to the country into which they are importing.

Trade Law Compliance

1. The carbon BTA is compliant with the GATT Most Favored Nation disciplines because it does not grant to any member country an “advantage” which it does not grant to any other member country.
2. The carbon BTA is compliant with the GATT National Treatment disciplines because it does not tax an imported product “in excess” of the like domestic product. Nor does the carbon BTA treat the imported product less favorably than the like domestic product.
3. In the unlikely case that the Appellate Body does find the carbon BTA to violate one of the GATT disciplines, the carbon BTA will satisfy the GATT General Exception XX(b) (“necessary to protect human, animal or plant life or health”) or XX(g) (“conservation of exhaustible natural resources.”)

Other International Agreements

1. The carbon BTA would interact with other environmental agreements, most saliently, the result of the presently on-going negotiations under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.

Brève description des ajustements fiscaux sur le carbone aux frontières

1. En parallèle avec la mise en place d'un ajustement fiscal aux frontières sur les produits à forte teneur de carbone (BTA), les États-Unis mettraient en œuvre un tarif pigouvien sur les émissions de dioxyde de carbone libellé en dollars par tonne équivalent CO₂.
2. Un ensemble fermé de produits « à forte teneur de carbone » seraient identifiés en fonction du fait qu'ils soient considérés « à forte concentration d'émission et exposés aux échanges commerciaux » (EITE).
3. Les producteurs étrangers et nationaux de produits à forte teneur de carbone utiliseraient une analyse du cycle de vie des gaz à effet de serre afin d'identifier la quantité de gaz à effet de serre émise dans l'atmosphère engendré par la production de ce produit (les émissions incorporées).
4. Les importateurs de produits à forte teneur de carbone devraient payer pour la production d'émissions incorporées au produit à forte teneur de carbone importé ainsi que les taux du tarif domestique pigouvien.
5. Les importateurs de produits à forte teneur de carbone recevraient un crédit pour reconnaître les mesures d'atténuation de la juridiction où le produit à forte teneur de carbone a été produit.
6. Les exportateurs de produits à haute teneur de carbone recevraient un remboursement les tarifs liés à la production d'émissions incorporées au produit à forte teneur de carbone importé ainsi que les taux du tarif domestique pigouvien.
7. Les exportateurs devraient réduire de leur remboursement tout montant des ajustements fiscaux aux frontières sur le carbone qui, autrement, serait payé au pays dans lequel ils importent le produit.

Conformité aux lois du commerce

1. Les ajustements fiscaux aux frontières sur le carbone sont conformes avec les dispositions de la nation la plus favorisée du GATT car ils n'accordent à aucun pays un « avantage » qu'il n'accorde pas à un autre pays membre.
2. Les ajustements fiscaux aux frontières sur le carbone sont conformes avec les dispositions du GATT en matière de traitement national car ils n'imposent pas de tarifs sur les produits importés « supérieurs » à ceux sur les produits domestiques; inversement, ils ne traitent pas les produits importés de façon moins favorable que les produits domestiques.
3. Dans le cas très improbable où l'organe d'appel déterminerait que les ajustements fiscaux aux frontières sur le carbone violeraient l'une des dispositions du GATT, l'ajustement fiscal aux frontières sur le carbone devrait satisfaire l'exception générale XX(b) du GATT (« nécessaire pour protéger la vie humaine, animale, végétale ou la santé ») ou XX(g) (« conservation de ressources naturelles épuisables »)

Autres ententes internationales

1. Les ajustements fiscaux aux frontières sur le carbone interagiraient avec d'autres ententes environnementales, notamment avec les résultats des négociations en cours présentement sous la Convention-cadre des Nations unies sur les changements climatiques.

What about the elephant in the room: the USA?

CLIMATE SOLUTIONS CAUCUS 30 REPUBLICANS & 30 DEMOCRATS WORKING TOGETHER TO FIND CLIMATE CHANGE SOLUTIONS



The Climate Solutions Caucus is a bipartisan group in the US House of Representatives which will explore policy options that address the impacts, causes, and challenges of our changing climate. The caucus was founded in February of 2016 by two south-Florida representatives Rep. Carlos Curbelo (R-FL) and Rep. Ted Deutch (D-FL), who serve as co-chairs of the caucus.

"The Caucus will serve as an organization to educate members on economically-viable options to reduce climate risk and protect our nation's economy, security, infrastructure, agriculture, water supply and public safety," according to documents filed with the Committee on House Administration. Membership will be kept even between Democrats and Republicans.

CCL applauds this first ever bipartisan caucus on climate change and thanks Rep. Curbelo, Rep. Deutch, and all of the caucus members for their leadership on climate.

Joseph Stiglitz calls for Border Carbon Adjustments on USA

Since 2010, Citizens' Climate Lobby Canada volunteers have been lobbying for carbon fee and dividend. Within that policy are border tax adjustments, also known as border carbon adjustments. Under the World Trade Organization, countries with national carbon taxes can level the playing field by enacting border carbon adjustments which could actually push the USA to enact a carbon price too. On June 2, 2017, Nobel Laureate in economics, Joseph Stiglitz said in his opinion piece [How to Punish Trump](#), "If Trump wants to withdraw the U.S. from the Paris climate agreement, the rest of the world should impose a carbon-adjustment tax on U.S. exports that do not comply with global standards."

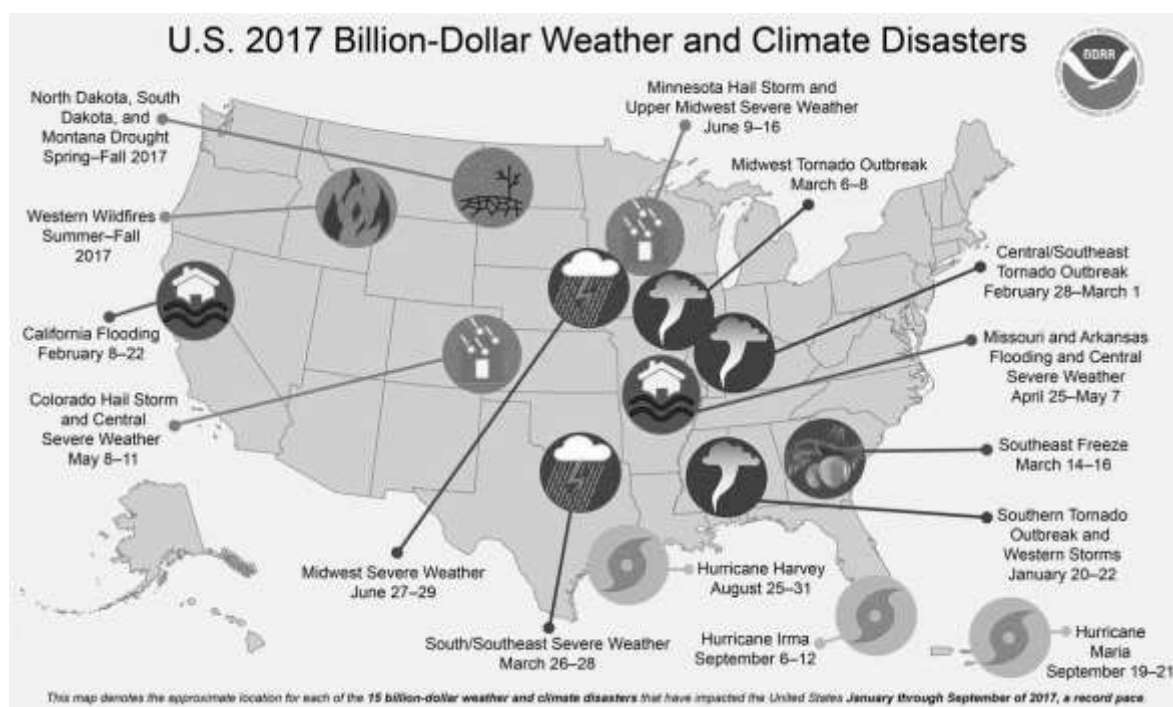
Trump's Climate Disconnect: Climate Change and Security

It is abundantly clear to military around the world that climate change is the [mother of all risks](#) to national and global security. Climate change acts as a threat multiplier, exacerbating threats in already unstable regions of the world. In 2016, the USA's military budget was over \$600 billion and 3.2% of their GDP. Trump addressed NATO two weeks ago and demanded that they spend 2% of their GDP on the military. This is where a big disconnect comes in: [The United States of America is the biggest carbon polluter](#) in the history of the world yet Trump is dismissing global cooperation needed to address the crisis by pulling out of the Paris Accord.

Money Talks

By now, everyone should know that progress and the environmental sustainability go hand-in-hand. Today, millions of good-paying jobs are being created in the clean growth economy, in factories and communities across the country. The world is on the cusp of a multi-trillion dollar business opportunity bursting onto the markets. No country should be left behind as the world transitions towards clean energy and a clean growth economy. It truly is a race to the front. These changes are exciting and bring enormous opportunities. We must continue to invest and innovate, to prepare our children for the jobs of the future. All countries need clear and efficient economic signal to catalyze the transition to a low carbon economy. Revenue-neutral carbon pricing with border tax adjustments is that signal.

As well, at the end of the day, how many more climate disasters will the citizens of the USA endure before they demand that their leaders price carbon pollution? In 2017 (as of October 6), there have been 15 weather and **climate disaster** events with losses exceeding \$1 billion each across the United States.



Environment Commissioner Says Canada Will Not Meet Its 2030 Target

Canada Can Bend the Curve With A Strong Carbon Pricing Policy

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: October 5, 2017,

Sudbury (ON): On Tuesday, Julie Gelfand, Canada's Commissioner of the Environment and Sustainable Development, bluntly outlined the conclusions of her report: the government has failed to implement successive greenhouse gas emissions-reduction plans. Her assessment covers the 2010-2017 time period.

"It's time for change. The federal government needs to start doing the hard work to turn this latest broad framework into tangible and measurable actions," Gelfand concludes in her report. At the news conference, Gelfand said at this point the government would not meet its 2030 target without additional measures, but said it needs time to "bend the curve."

The government released the Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change in December 2016, which was endorsed by all provinces and territories except Saskatchewan and Manitoba. In the Pan-Canadian Clean Growth and Climate Plan, the government recognizes that this transition can result in a strong, diverse and competitive economy.

An important component of the Pan-Canadian Framework is the carbon pricing legislation. Currently, 86% of Canada's population is already covered by a carbon price and by 2018 that number will rise to 100%. Canada's national carbon pricing policy will be revenue neutral for the national government. All revenues generated will remain in that province or territory.

"We applaud the Canadian government for its national price on carbon, uniting all provinces and territories with a minimum and rising fee. This is an important step to help Canada in its transition to a clean energy economy," says Cathy Orlando, Citizens' Climate Lobby Canada's National Director. "However, the Federal government has committed to increasing the fee for only five years yet the target year is 2030. A five year commitment is not enough to meet Canada's goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions to 30 percent below 2005 levels by 2030. We call on the Canadian government to extend the rising fee to year 2030. This will bend the curve."

From October 21-24, 2017, CCL members will be in Ottawa lobbying their MPs. They will present 5 simple steps to improve Canada's carbon pricing policy.

1. That the carbon price is economy wide and is applied upstream: at the wellhead, coal mine or point of entry into the economy.
2. That the national carbon price continues to rise past 2022 with the objective of Canada exceeding our Paris targets and becoming a world leader in tackling the climate crisis and in the clean tech industry.
3. That border tax adjustments are included in the policy to level the playing field for domestic industries with international jurisdictions without a similar carbon price.
4. That the federal government work with the provinces and territories to ensure provincial carbon pricing systems can keep up with the rising federal minimum carbon price without imposing any additional burdens on low and middle-income Canadians. For example, the federal government could propose carbon fee and dividend as a model policy.
5. To ensure that there is a consistent policy towards combating climate change, that the federal government, as promised in the 2015 Liberal election platform, end financial subsidies to fossil fuel companies.

"Extending the rising carbon fee to 2030, providing comprehensive coverage, and imposing border tax adjustments will help ensure a strong, diverse and competitive economy inspiring other countries to take Canada's lead. The future will be Canada's when we enact an effective carbon pricing policy. Our volunteers want to help Canada win the race to the top," states Orlando.

Auditor general questions Canada's plan to phase out fossil fuel subsidies

Michael Ferguson wins battle against Liberal government to obtain information crucial to his reviews
By Kathleen Harris, CBC News Posted: May 16, 2017



'We found that Finance Canada still had not defined what an inefficient fossil fuel subsidy was, nor could the department tell us how many inefficient fossil fuel subsidies there could be,' said Auditor General Michael Ferguson, who tabled his annual spring report Tuesday.

INTERESTING FACT: We all know that some oil companies have known about the risks climate change for a long time (Exxon knew!) and that they have spent billions of dollars on a propaganda machine (Koch Brothers et al) to thwart climate action. But did you know, the Honourable Lloyd Axworthy identified this egregious problem in 2004?



In honour of Crazy Horse

In honour of Crazy Horse and the sacrifices all our Ancestors have made for us to still be here ...We are the Seventh Generation.

I rally, not because I have to, or because I want to.
I rally because I am pushed to.
I rally because I am driven to.
I rally because the future isn't going to make itself.
I rally so that the dreams I have may come true.
I rally because the nightmares that wake me...may also come true.
I rally for my Ancestors who are calling me to protect the land, our Mother.
I rally because I see despair amongst the people, they feel powerless, and I want to show them that nothing changes without being there, and caring, and that is their power.
I rally to stand strong amongst like-minded human beings, and it feels so good.
I rally to show the governments that for every lie there is a human being listening, and pointing out their lies.
I rally to let the colonisers, and the predators know that they will one day see the resistance that they have created.
I rally to face the beast and their cronies, and show that I AM NOT AFRAID!...
I rally to inspire the next Seven Generations that one day may find themselves staring at the same beast, still lurking in the shadows, and they will find that fear creeping in their spirit, but they must know how to stand defiantly strong...even in the fear that surrounds them.
The generations of protectors must know that moving forward, while everyone around them has stopped, will change this world.
The generations of warriors must know that the hardest part of every journey, even in death, begins with that first step.
So I step onto the street, and I pound my fist in the air, and I will show the predators, that even in fear, WE WILL NOT STOP MOVING FORWARD!...
I rally so that one day the generations may not have to.
Be FEARLESS!
QUESTION EVERYTHING!
And most importantly, THINK!

And love enough to act!

--Sent to Cathy Orlando in September 2017 from Gord Cumming--

Arnold Chan's Final Letter to Canada read in the House of Commons by Mark Holland, the Member for Ajax

Mr. Speaker, from the beginning of my parliamentary career, I have been preoccupied with issues of the exercise of democracy. This has been a passion of mine since my youth, and is a touchstone for all of my work as a Member of the Parliament of Canada. It is fitting that I address these issues once more today to my colleagues.

My inaugural speech in Parliament focused on the theme of democracy, since I rose in the House that day to discuss the Private Member's Bill introduced by the Member for Wellington-Halton Hills to reform the Canada Elections Act and the Parliament of Canada Act. I had the opportunity in that speech to address what I felt were important elements of change that were needed in Parliament, which would hopefully help to reverse a trend of dysfunction that had been growing during the tenure of the previous government.

On June 12th of this year, I had the opportunity again to direct my comments to issues of democracy, and of the conduct of our business in Parliament. I wish that my children could have been present, but of course June is a time for examinations in school. Nevertheless, I had them and their generation very much in mind that day, and I do so again now as I consider the critical challenges of the future, and the role of democracy and democratic institutions in meeting those challenges.

I believe that we as a society and a government are just beginning to grapple with the three existential threats that will face my children's generation: climate change, accelerating technological change, and the parochialism and social unrest that arise in reaction to these first two forces.

Climate change is undeniably the focus of attention today, as it should be.

The recent flooding in Texas, hurricane in the Caribbean and Florida, violent monsoon rains in Bangladesh and northern India, and closer to home, the BC wildfires all point to an increasingly unpredictable and potentially destructive pattern of changes to which everyone must adapt.

This is in part why I continue to appreciate the presence and advocacy of the Leader of the Green Party, the Member for Saanich-Gulf Islands, along with the leadership of the Minister of Environment and Climate Change. Their tireless work is to be commended and supported.

Climate change is not just about storms, flooding and heat. It is also about crop failure, food shortage, water scarcity, mass displacement of people, and the violent conflicts that can arise out of those situations. It is imperative that we stop treating climate change as solely an environmental issue, but recognize it as an all-encompassing priority that we as a society and a government must confront with the utmost urgency.

One potential response to climate change is to focus on technological solutions, but technology itself represents a second challenge. In particular, the confluence of artificial intelligence, robotics and genomics, which represents the potential for profound changes to the relationship between people, machines and their environment.

There has been much discussion recently of the impact on human employment of self-driving cars and the increased use of robots for everything from manufacturing to personal services. This has led to speculation about the future of work itself, and the possible dislocation of social relationships that have existed since the founding of cities ten thousand years ago. These are issues that we are just beginning to grapple with, but which will be profoundly important for my children and their generation.

In the face of relentless technological change and economic competition, how resilient will our social institutions be? How will our communities manage the potential for mass unemployment, or even just the fear of those kinds of changes?

Therein lies the third challenge: reactionism. In the face of climate change, accelerating technological advancements and the disruptions that they are causing, the tendency of people and communities is to "circle the wagons" and, even worse to "fear the other". We have already seen evidence of this around the world: increasing nationalism, religious fundamentalism, and isolationism. Rising sectarian violence in many countries. Distrust of elites, and strife based on economic class.

So what do we do?

We are Members of Parliament, a body which is ultimately about civilized discussion and debate. The word "Parliament" itself derives from the French word "parler": to speak. Our task is to exercise democracy through communication, deliberation, and ultimately decision-making. Not in our own interest, but in the interest of the people. We are representatives of and we are responsible to the people of our country, and it is our responsibility and our duty to try and meet the challenges of the day through our best collective effort.

In facing the challenges of climate change, accelerating technological change, and the forces of reactionism, we must remember that our greatest strengths lie within our civility to each other, our humanity in the face of our own limitations, and our own willingness to serve. We can adapt to change, we can respond to challenges, but we adapt and respond best when we do so after reasoned debate with an open mind and through listening carefully to the needs of those we are so fortunate to serve. But there is one more step to take in thinking about managing the problems of the future, and that is to consider who the "we" of Parliament should be?

Historically, our great Parliament has been predominantly composed of men, and largely of European descent. It was only in 2014, just short three years ago that there was a Chinese Liberal MP in the GTA – me, an Asian male. On the issue of gender balance, despite it being nearly 100 years since the first woman was elected to Parliament, we are still far from balanced. Our government has taken some good steps to address this, but we can and should do more. We owe it to ourselves, our community and our children to continue to strive for improvement in our democratic institutions, so that we can better serve our communities, and better meet those challenges of the future.

Diversity is healthy, and increases the chances of survival and success, a truth known at least since Charles Darwin. The greater the range of ideas and opinions that are brought to bear on the problems of our day, the more likely that we as an institution will be able to come up with workable solutions that serve our communities. And a greater diversity of members will in turn bring those broader ideas forward.

Mr. Speaker, my call to action to my colleagues is to constantly be open to new ideas, to be willing to adjust the assumptions that ground one's viewpoint, if the facts of the world and the challenges of the day require it. I would also call upon greater empowerment of diverse voices as a foundation of addressing the challenges that face us.

But my call is not only to my colleagues in Parliament. It is also to other Canadians of visible minority descent: we should not be satisfied with the status quo; we should expect more for ourselves and our children. But at the same time it is up to us to be braver, to go beyond our comfort zones and engage with people of other backgrounds, to diversify and broaden our relationships, and to seek the betterment of all. We have to take a chance, to engage and to participate. That will help to strengthen the institutions that serve us all.

The triple challenges of climate change, accelerating technological change, and social reactionism are extraordinary and radical, and our ultimate responses may have to be as well. However, if we maintain our commitment to our democratic traditions, and broaden and diversify our institutions to reflect the range of voices present in our society, I'm confident that we can take the steps necessary to meet these challenges and to flourish, one step at a time.

While I wish I could be there for you and with you to contribute more to the great work of our Parliament, and to better the world for my children and yours, I will have to leave this to you, my colleagues.

I wish you all well.

<https://medium.com/@jwspgcan/there-is-a-hero-in-each-of-us-338b033875f5>

Half of working Canadians living paycheque to paycheque, says survey



A good reason why our national carbon price should be revenue neutral



Carbon fee and dividend is a revenue neutral carbon tax where 100% of the money is returned back to citizens in a cheque

There Is a Hero in Each of Us

I have had the good fortune of professionally working with some wonderful colleagues and together we have had the privilege of helping others. There are certain emergencies for which once they have occurred, all our science and good will cannot change the outcome. Humanity is today at certain crossroads where prevention is the only treatment. The occurrence of these “emergencies” can be fatal for our societies, for humanity.

To all who read these words, I wish to enlist you on an urgent critical pathway: that of defending all of our children, present and future, as well as all living beings of this world to whom we owe stewardship. The two major targets of our collective toil, responsibility, are avoidance of a nuclear holocaust and slowing down our acceleration of climate change while preparing for our adaptation to its consequences. These two challenges must be met. It is a debt we owe to our children and theirs. It is our duty to them and to one another.

We need to stop being automatons reflexly reacting to the dictates of someone else’s marketed designs for their own social, economic and ideological interests. Present tribalized ideologies isolate and engender exclusion and conflict at a time when communal vision and actions are essential.

Look deeply into the innocence and vulnerability of children’s eyes and ask what have they done to merit such a future nightmare and what am I doing to stop its occurrence. We have the power, they do not. Make no mistake we are all in this together. Do some politicians, ultra-rich and military leaders really think that their children will truly be spared the consequences of their short-term irresponsible decisions? The present quicksands of the world’s geopolitical realities are no grounds for us to stand on, to count on for us to ensure our children’s future as past generations have been able to. Everything has changed. Our scientific prowesses have lethally surpassed our societal advances in being able to resolve conflict. Flashpoints are too unpredictable, where technological glitches and/or human stupidity can unleash the unthinkable. It is foolish to think that survival of a nuclear holocaust is likely or possible. Hello . . . wake up. Of what use is our so-called superior intelligence if we cannot ensure the prolonged survival of our species. Bugs and bacteria do a better job of it!

Previous generations did not truly know the consequences of their collective ways on the environment and their inherent risks to all life forms. They were but distant possibilities in the minds of a cluster of “alarmists.” We can no longer choose to look the other way and pretend we did not know, that we are without means to make a difference, that it will all work out as it did in the past, that it is someone else’s problem. Look again in that child’s eyes for he or she is that someone else.

Living may now be easier with our eyes closed till a harsh reality rips them open. The freight train is barreling down upon us and as a species we are both driving and are somewhere in the distance on its track to which we are wrist and ankle cuffed directly in its path. It isn’t time to

abandon hope. It isn’t time to just hope. It’s time to act. Love is not enough. It’s not a question of whether we can, it’s a matter of fact that we must.

All our thinking, our planning, our decisions, and especially our actions need to first address the question: does this endeavour favour not only the present but most definitely and importantly also future generations?

Our interconnectedness cannot be denied. We need to avoid win-lose situations. We need to enact win-win approaches otherwise we will all suffer from loose-loose consequences. Hope, courage, unity and intelligent purposeful actions are all necessary ingredients to ensuring our children’s as well as most life forms’ existences and well-being.

There are too many people, too many leaders fomenting hate and this hate will live on if we let it. These merchants of malice need to have their harangue, their villainous speech rendered ineffective or else they will continue to encourage the emergence of the dark side of humanity and render aggression, be it physical or psychological, an acceptable norm to be practised on others of better worth. Rise up!!! Let your disapproval be manifest and effectively bring society back to acting for the common good. You are not alone! It is important that we not be paralyzed by despair or indifference. Bullies eventually lose but at what cost? The sooner their ways are stopped, the less is their impact. Be you 23 or 83, you can make a difference. Get informed, get involved. If you don’t, you forfeit, amongst other things, your freedom and your right to finger point. This is a call to hearts and minds and action. We owe the world’s children that much so they and theirs may have opportunities for fulfillment and moments of happiness as many of us have had. Being good and passive is no longer enough. Are we blindly doomed to join the 99% of life forms that have been unable to act in time to guarantee survival of their species? How tragically STUPID! Why don’t we just stop hating each other consciously or unwillingly and get on with the business of truly caring for everyone’s sake. Ignorance is not bliss, it imperils us all. An overwhelming sense of helplessness is in fact a choice we can change.

There is a bridge not so far fraught with hurdles and traps. Nonetheless it needs to be crossed if we are to renew and embark on a prolongation of mankind’s collective journey. Common decency is not a commodity to be traded. Those who have it in their hearts and ways are short changed by those who fail to value it as fundamental to any society and just coexistence. There is a need for transformation, a need to come together. Let the past be a teacher but not an anchor. New visions of a holistic whole need to be the reality we pursue. We may be accused of being naive in wanting to change the world, but if we let history repeat itself, it will condemn us. We need to enlarge our circle of empathy. Focus on commonalities. Celebrate the differences. Embrace connections. There is a hero in each of us. Keep calm and carry on. Side by side the common good will prevail. Read. Learn. Connect. Do. There is an urgency to have enlightenment and compassion lead to actions for the good of all. Love creates community and community sustains love. Every little smile, kind word or

positive action seeds the prospect of better understanding and respectful coexistence. Do it. Do it now. Do it every day. Do it for the young and the yet to be born. There is no better way in doing it for one's self.

If you are too busy with life's various responsibilities, morally support those who are active in working on these two challenges. They are on your team as you can, as such, be on theirs, all one and the same. Action fuels motivation and motivation creates time to do the more important. Who is more important, you or the children?

Those amongst us who do not have their own children have the chance of being liberated from umbilical emotions and responsibilities and may find it easier to enlarge one's sphere of influence to the whole cohort of the world's children. . . What an opportunity to positively affect their future in doing good by them.

We need to treat children for who and what they are; not only our nation's and the world's treasure, but future's only promise.

What world do we want for all children and what are we willing to do about it? These are lifetime challenges that will keep us "young" and pertinent. This quest most definitely does not require monastically giving up all of life's pleasures. To the contrary, it should heighten our enjoyment and appreciation of every joy, thing of beauty, and gifts big or small which we encounter on our paths. Let these pleasures fuel our desire to do the same for our young and future generations. By your words and deeds, your choice is both made and manifest. Project your humanity. Your dignity and self-respect will thus be enriched. Let us not let fear distort truth, or comfort and complacency blind us from the realities we urgently need to correctly respond to. Our children's future is being decided by us today.

These lifetime objectives need to be continuously pursued and guaranteed. The alternative is unacceptable. Together we must. Have you anything more important to do? This world is as of yet the only stage upon which we choose, consciously or not, to be authors, actors or in the audience. The ending of the "play" is not determined by those who remain in the audience. The autonomy we encourage our children to have is important for their tomorrows. Their tomorrows need to be guaranteed by what we do today. Let's not just grow older but endeavour to grow up to a more heightened sense of awareness and actioned responsibilities for their sake as well as our own. Optimism is not an optical illusion. It's a necessary attitude so we don't give up. Let's get started. Now please!

Wayne Smith
Emergency Physician

Il y a un héros en chacun de nous

J'ai la chance de côtoyer des gens extraordinaires dans mon milieu de travail et nous avons ensemble le privilège d'aider les autres. Cependant, malgré tout notre savoir et notre bonne volonté, il est impossible de changer l'issue de certaines urgences une fois qu'elles se sont produites. L'humanité est aujourd'hui à une croisée des chemins où le seul traitement qu'il nous reste est la prévention. Si certaines « urgences » se produisaient, cela pourrait être fatal pour nos sociétés et pour notre espèce. Nous devons maintenant mettre tous nos « talents » au service de ces causes importantes.

Je souhaite convier tous ceux qui lisent ces mots à s'engager avec empressement dans une mission fondamentale, celle de la défense de tous nos enfants, présents et futurs, et de tous les êtres vivants de cette planète. Les deux principaux objectifs de notre tâche, de notre responsabilité collective sont d'éviter un holocauste nucléaire et de ralentir l'accélération des changements climatiques tout en nous préparant à nous adapter aux conséquences de ces derniers. Nous devons réussir à relever ces deux défis. Nous avons une dette envers nos enfants et leurs descendants. Il s'agit d'un devoir que nous avons envers eux et envers nous tous.

Nous devons cesser d'être des automates qui réagissent par réflexe aux dictats conçus et imposés par d'autres pour leur propre intérêt social, économique et idéologique. Les idéologies tribalisées actuelles isolent et elles engendrent l'exclusion et les conflits à un moment où une vision commune et des actions collectives sont essentielles.

Plongez profondément votre regard dans l'innocence et la vulnérabilité des yeux d'un enfant et demandez-vous ce qu'il a fait pour mériter un avenir aussi cauchemardesque. Demandez-vous ce que vous faites pour éviter qu'il devienne réalité. C'est nous qui avons le pouvoir de changer les choses, pas eux. Il ne faut pas se leurrer, nous sommes tous dans le même bateau. Parmi les politiciens, les ultra-riches et les chefs militaires, certains pensent-ils vraiment que leurs enfants pourront éviter les conséquences de leurs décisions irresponsables à courte vue? Les réalités géopolitiques du monde actuel sont des sables mouvants sur lesquels nous ne pouvons pas nous appuyer pour assurer l'avenir de nos enfants comme l'ont fait les générations précédentes. Tout a changé. Nos prouesses scientifiques ont mortellement surpassé nos avancées sociétales lorsqu'il s'agit de résoudre des conflits. Ces poudrières deviennent trop imprévisibles à l'heure où des pépins techniques ou la stupidité humaine peuvent déclencher l'impensable. Il serait fou de penser qu'il est probable ou possible de survivre à un holocauste nucléaire. Il est grand temps de se réveiller. À qui sert notre soi-disant intelligence supérieure si nous sommes incapables d'assurer la survie prolongée de notre espèce? Les bestioles et les bactéries s'en tirent mieux que nous!

Les générations précédentes ne connaissaient pas vraiment les conséquences de leurs actions collectives sur l'environnement ni leurs risques inhérents pour toutes les formes de vie. Elles étaient alors considérées comme de vagues possibilités issues de la pensée d'une poignée d'« alarmistes ». Nous ne pouvons plus éviter de regarder la réalité en face et faire semblant que nous ne savions pas, qu'il n'existe aucun moyen de changer les choses, que tout ira bien comme avant, que c'est le problème de

quelqu'un d'autre. Regardez encore dans les yeux de cet enfant, car ce quelqu'un d'autre, c'est elle ou lui.

Il est peut-être plus facile de vivre en se fermant les yeux jusqu'à ce que la dure réalité nous force à les ouvrir. Le train force droit sur nous et, en tant qu'espèce, nous en sommes à la fois le chef de train et la victime qui l'entend venir, pieds et poings liés sur les rails. Ce n'est pas le moment de perdre espoir. Ce n'est pas non plus le moment de se contenter d'espérer. C'est le temps d'agir. Il ne suffit pas d'aimer. La question n'est pas de savoir si nous pouvons agir, car il est évident que nous devons agir.

Toutes nos réflexions, nos plans, nos décisions et nos actions en particulier doivent être précédés de la question suivante : ce que nous faisons favorise-t-il non seulement la génération actuelle, mais, ce qui est plus important encore, les générations futures?

Notre interdépendance est indéniable. Nous devons éviter les situations gagnant-perdant et mettre en œuvre des approches qui ne font que des gagnants, sinon nous serons tous perdants. Espoir, courage, unité et actions intelligentes et déterminées sont tous des ingrédients nécessaires pour assurer la survie et le bien-être de nos enfants et de la plupart des formes de vie.

Trop de gens, trop de leaders fomentent la haine, et cette haine se perpétuera si nous ne réagissons pas. La harangue, ce discours haineux des marchands de malveillance, doit être enrayée sans quoi ces derniers continueront à encourager l'émergence du côté sombre de l'humanité et à faire de l'agression, qu'elle soit physique ou psychologique, un comportement qu'il est acceptable d'imposer aux personnes dont les valeurs valent mieux que les leurs. Faites-vous entendre! Manifestez votre désapprobation et aidez la société à recommencer à agir efficacement pour le bien commun. Vous n'êtes pas seul! Il est important de ne pas nous laisser paralyser par le désespoir ou l'indifférence. Les abuseurs finissent pas perdre, mais à quel prix? Plus nous arrêterons rapidement leurs méfaits, moins leur impact sera grand. Que vous ayez 23 ans ou 83 ans, vous pouvez changer les choses. Informez-vous. Impliquez-vous. Si vous ne le faites pas, vous abandonnez, entre autres choses, votre liberté et votre droit de dénonciation. Ceci est un appel aux cœurs, aux esprits et à l'action. Nous le devons aux enfants du monde pour qu'eux-mêmes et leurs descendants puissent connaître des perspectives de réalisation et des moments de bonheur comme plusieurs d'entre nous en ont eu la chance. Il ne suffit plus d'être bon et passif. Sommes-nous aveuglément condamnés à nous joindre à 99 % des formes de vie qui n'ont pas agi assez rapidement pour garantir la survie de leur espèce? Ce serait tragique et STUPIDE! Pourquoi ne cessons-nous pas de nous détester les uns les autres, consciemment ou non, pour commencer à nous soucier véritablement de notre bien commun. L'ignorance n'est pas source de bonheur, elle nous met tous en péril. Nous pouvons mettre fin à cet immense sentiment d'impuissance. C'est un choix que nous pouvons exercer.

Nous arriverons bientôt devant un pont truffé de pièges et d'embûches. Il faudra néanmoins le traverser pour connaître un renouveau et poursuivre le voyage collectif de l'humanité. La décence morale n'est pas une valeur à marchander. Ceux qui l'ont à cœur et dans leurs mœurs et

coutumes sont floués par ceux qui manquent d'y voir une valeur fondamentale de toute société et de la saine coexistence. Une transformation est nécessaire : il faut se rassembler. Sachons apprendre du passé sans toutefois le traîner comme un boulet. Nous devons chercher à avoir une nouvelle vision d'ensemble de la vie sur notre planète. Nous devons agrandir notre cercle d'empathie, nous concentrer sur nos points communs, célébrer les différences, valoriser notre interdépendance. Il y a un héros en chacun de nous. Gardez votre calme et continuez d'aller de l'avant. Appuyons-nous les uns sur les autres et le bien commun prévaudra. On pourra nous accuser d'être naïfs de vouloir changer le monde, mais si nous laissons libre cours à l'histoire, elle nous condamnera. Lisez. Apprenez. Communiquez. Agissez. Il est urgent que la conscience et la compassion mènent à des actions pour le bien de tous. L'amour engendre le partage et le partage nourrit l'amour. Chaque petit sourire, les mots gentils et les actions positives sèment la perspective d'une meilleure compréhension et d'une coexistence respectueuse. Agissez. Agissez maintenant. Agissez tous les jours. Agissez pour les jeunes d'aujourd'hui et ceux qui sont encore à naître. C'est la meilleure façon de le faire aussi pour soi-même.

Si vous êtes trop accaparé par les différentes responsabilités de la vie, offrez votre soutien moral à ceux qui travaillent activement à relever ces deux défis. Vous faites ainsi partie de la même équipe, agissant à l'unisson avec vos coéquipiers. L'action nourrit la motivation et la motivation nous amène à trouver le temps de faire le plus important. Qui est-ce qui compte le plus, vous ou les enfants?

Ceux d'entre nous qui n'ont pas d'enfants ont la chance d'être libérés des émotions ombilicales et des responsabilités qui s'en suivent et il peut être plus facile pour eux d'agrandir leur sphère d'influence à tous les enfants de la terre... Quelle belle occasion d'avoir un impact positif sur leur avenir en faisant le bien pour eux!

Nous devons traiter les enfants pour ce qu'ils sont; ils sont non seulement notre trésor national et mondial, ils sont aussi la seule promesse de notre avenir collectif.

Quel monde voulons-nous pour nos enfants et que sommes-nous prêts à faire à cet égard? C'est le défi d'une vie, qui nous gardera « jeunes » et pertinents. Cette quête n'exige certainement pas un renoncement monastique à tous les plaisirs de la vie. Au contraire, elle devrait nous permettre d'être encore plus sensibles à chaque joie, à chaque objet de beauté et à tous les cadeaux petits et gros qui se trouveront sur notre route. Laissons ces plaisirs alimenter notre désir d'en faire autant pour nos jeunes et pour les générations futures. Par vos paroles et par vos actes, vous faites un choix manifeste. Projetez votre humanité : votre dignité et le respect de soi-même s'en trouveront enrichis. Ne laissons pas la peur déformer la vérité, ne laissons pas non plus le confort et la complaisance nous rendre aveugles aux réalités face auxquelles nous devons de toute urgence réagir de manière appropriée. C'est nous qui décidons aujourd'hui de l'avenir de nos enfants.

Ces objectifs d'une vie doivent être sans cesse maintenus et poursuivis. Il serait inacceptable de faire autrement.

Nous devons le faire ensemble. Avez-vous quelque chose de plus important à faire? Ce monde est jusqu'à maintenant la seule scène où nous choisissons consciemment ou non d'être les auteurs, les acteurs ou les spectateurs. La fin de la « pièce » n'est pas déterminée par ceux qui se contentent d'assister au spectacle. L'autonomie que nous encourageons nos enfants à acquérir est importante pour leur avenir. Leurs lendemains doivent être assurés par les gestes que nous posons aujourd'hui. Ne nous contentons pas de vieillir. Efforçons-nous plutôt de grandir pour acquérir une certaine sagesse et agir de manière responsable pour leur bien comme pour le nôtre. L'optimisme n'est pas une illusion d'optique. C'est une attitude nécessaire pour éviter d'abandonner. Il est temps de commencer. Dès maintenant!

Wayne Smith, Médecin d'urgence

P. S. Pour en apprendre davantage sur les changements climatiques

<http://leclimatchange.fr/>

<http://www.unclearn.org/fr/themes>

<http://www.who.int/globalchange/climate/infographics/fr/>

<http://ici.radio-canada.ca/sujet/climat>

http://www.ipcc.ch/home_languages_main_french.shtml

P. S. Pour en apprendre davantage sur l'holocauste nucléaire

<http://www.ippnw.eu/fr/accueil.html>

<http://sortirdunucleaire.org/>

<http://www.connaissancedesenergies.org/fiche-pedagogique/lutte-contre-la-prolifération-des-armes-nucleaires>

IMMENSE GRATITUDE

Marshall Saunders, our founder and president, had a vision to create an organization where people could be empowered to create positive change in our world. In 2007, he founded Citizens' Climate Lobby. There are now over 70,000 members world wide, including over 1300 Canadians.

And many of our Canadian CCLers are here again on Parliament Hill - our 4th national conference and the 12th time as a collective lobbying for a liveable world. Once again we have been able to secure an amazing line-up of speakers to share their knowledge, and create a narrative that will inform our discussions with parliamentarians.

It can be easy to despair about climate change, but the reality is that we are in a race to the top. The global tech market is worth over \$1 trillion (CAD) and is on the cusp of a multi-trillion dollar clean tech revolution. With effective carbon pricing we can create the political will to make this happen.

Our politicians truly need our help to secure a healthy climate and 21st-century jobs for future generations.

Thank you conference funders big and small, presenters, and everyone who is about to lobby our MPs for our five simple steps to improve Canada's carbon pricing policy. We are all about to make a difference alongside some of the best volunteers on the planet.

Truly and deeply,

The Future is Ours Conference Team:

Marlo Firme, Gerry Labelle, Cathy Lacroix, Cathy Orlando, Laura Sacks and Yannick Trottier.

Elements of Good Meeting Minutes

Important things to capture:

- What was the **ask** in this meeting? (Please use the “Leave Behind” ask)
- **Concerns** of the staffer/Parliamentarian with respect to our policy.
- **Questions** the staffer/Parliamentarian had about our policy.
- **Recommendations** the staffer/Parliamentarian had about our policy or strategy
- Points about our strategy or policy the staffer/Parliamentarian **found interesting**.
- Who the Parliamentarian works well with across the aisle, or in their own party.
- Separate (in parentheses or brackets), your sense of the staffer/Parliamentarian. How alarmed about the crisis was the staffer/Parliamentarian? Were they engaged? Were they interested? Were they hostile? Did they want to be anywhere but in that meeting? What was their body language? Discuss this with others after the meeting as well to make sure your impressions match.
- **Action items** for the MP/staffer
- **Action items** for your group.

Tips for Effective Note-Taking:

- While useful to capture what CCLers were saying for context of the discussion, if it is a choice between writing down what a CCLer said and what a staffer/MP said, always pick the staffer/Parliamentarian!!!!
- Go over your notes right after the interview with the others who lobbied with you fill in blanks from short-term memory, and clean up any mistakes or illegible patches.
- Ask everyone what were the big take-home messages and impressions from the meeting?
- As soon as you are back at a computer, type up your notes. You’ll remember things you didn’t write down, and you’ll still be able to remember what your scrawls mean.
- Define abbreviations.
- Use complete sentences.
- Submit typed notes either using [CCL’s online form](#) for meeting minutes or send the notes to: canada@citizensclimatelobby.org but not both.
- **CAUTION:** It is not advisable to give the minute-taking responsibility to a new CCLer.

PLEASE BE SURE TO TAKE A PICTURE AND SEND IT TO canada@citizensclimatelobby.org and/or Tweet #CCCL2017

SAMPLE MEETING AGENDA	ROLES IN A LOBBY MEETING
1. Thank the parliamentarian for meeting with us. 2. Ask how much time we have for a meeting. 3. Introductions (name, town and why you are involved, personal story, if there is time and if appropriate. 4. Have parliamentarian and staff introduce themselves too! 5. Show appreciation. (Look in the bios). 6. State our purpose. 7. Show the amazing achievements we have accomplished this year: Open Letter and Print Media Hits. 8. Transition into the meeting plan, agenda, and or questions you have prepared. 9. Deliver our Primary Ask using the "Leave Behind". 10. If it becomes clear that they cannot commit to our Primary Ask, State your Secondary Ask(s) (determined beforehand) which are to ask colleagues on the Standing Committees of: (1) Natural Resources and/or Finance to redouble their efforts to eliminate fossil fuel subsidies; (2) International Trade and/or Finance to study border tax (carbon) adjustments. Or introduce colleagues in ridings without CCL chapters to our organization. Ideally, just pick one ask and determine which one is best based on your research of the parliamentarian. 11. If it becomes clear they cannot commit to any of our "asks", ask good questions and listen carefully and try to find out why. Please do not information bomb the parliamentarian. 12. Ask specifically what we could be doing more of <u>in their riding</u> to building political will for a stronger carbon pricing policy in Canada. 13. Ask who do they work across the aisle with? 14. Timekeeper signals the team when there is only five minutes left. 15. Determine how they would like for you to follow-up. 16. Thank them for their time.	LEADER: empowers everyone to share and participate, especially the constituents, facilitates transitions in the agenda. The leader makes sure the lobby notes are officially recorded in our database APPRECIATOR: shows appreciation for something the parliamentarian has recently accomplished. If possible, this should be done by the constituent. TIMEKEEPER: asks how much time do they have for the meeting. Signals when there just a few minutes remaining. NOTETAKER: this should be an experienced volunteer. Reviews the notes immediately after with everyone and gets them written and <u>submitted on the same day</u>. DISCUSSION: everyone is encouraged to participate, especially constituents. Try to identify people who have specific backgrounds that may be suitable for certain discussions such as "CCL expert", "science", "economics", "fossil fuel subsidies", "border tax adjustments" PRIMARY ASKER: Presents CCL's purpose and our primary ask. If possible this should be a constituent who has a strong grasp of the "leave behind" and carbon fee and dividend. The asker leaves behind the "leave behind". SECONDARY ASKER: Can be the same as the primary asker OR an alternative. DELIVERER: responsible for showing the parliamentarian our great accomplishments locally and nationally FOLLOW-UP: sends thank you cards and follow-up materials. PHOTOGRAPHER: makes sure there is a picture taken at the end of the meeting and is sent to the parliamentarian and CCL Canada either via twitter (#CCCL2017 @CitizensLobbyCa @Parliamentarians handle) or email (canada@citizensclimatelobby.org)
TO BE DISCUSSED AT THE CONFERENCE:	
What are good habits in a lobby meeting?	
What are some bad habits in a lobby meeting?	

IMPORTANT WHEN LOBBYING ON PARLIAMENT HILL

- Photo ID is required to get into all buildings on Parliament Hill.
- Take your time and keep track of your Photo ID. Put it in the same place every time.
- Allow at least 15 minutes to get through the airport-like security on Parliament Hill.
- Don't wear and bring anything that looks remotely political such as flags and CCL swag (Climate Lobby are trigger words it seems) because it may be put in storage while you lobby in the building and that could complicate things for you.
- If your meeting is in Centre Block, which is the iconic building with the Peace Tower Clock in the middle, go through the "Business Door" on the left and not the "Tourist Door" on the right. We will review this at the conference.
- If by chance you get invited to the Parliamentary Dining Hall, men must wear a tie in the Dining Hall. No Jeans allowed. That is the lobbying attire you are supposed to wear anyway – "business attire".

Map of Parliament Hill

