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CCL Monthly International Conference Call

Saturday, November 12, 2016
10 am PT/ 11 am MT/ 12 pm CT/ 1 pm ET/ 2 pm AT

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CCL CANADA Monthly Action calls. You only sit in one call:

Thursday, November 10, 2016: 6 pm PT/ 7 pm MT/ 8 pm CT/ 9 pm ET/ 10 pm AT ... note time zones
Friday, November 11, 2016: 8 am PT/ 9 am MT/ 10 am CT/ 11 am ET/ 12 pm AT ... note time zones
Monday, November 14, 2016: 6 pm PT / 7 pm MT/ 8 pm CT/ 9 pm ET/ 10 pm AT ... note time zones

NOTE THAT CCL Canada Monthly Education Call at a different time for this month only

Tuesday, November 22, 2016: 1 pm PT / 2 pm MT/ 3 pm CT/ 4 pm ET/ 5 pm AT

GUEST: Adam Scott of Oil Change International will present to us the facts of how much fossil fuels can be taken out of the ground before we blow the 1.5 C and 2 C limit.

Happy Anniversary CCL Canada! November marks the 5th year since we started meeting together on monthly CCL Canada calls.

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November 12 Guest: Dr. Katharine Hayhoe, Canadian Climate Scientist



Following a very stressful US election season, our colleagues in the USA thought it would be good to hear the calm and reassuring voice of our favorite climate change communicator, Dr. Katharine Hayhoe. Dr. Hayhoe recently gave CCL a big shout out at the [South by South Lawn climate change discussion](#) at the White House with President Obama and actor Leonardo DiCaprio. In addition, she just launched a series of short videos on climate change, "[Global Weirding](#)."

November is the busiest month of the year for Canadian CCLers this year. Go CANADA!

CCL Canada November 2016 Actions:

1. In preparation for lobbying this month, study and practice communicating the November 2016 CCL Canada Leave Behind document. If you are unsure of the rationale behind certain points on this document, attend the CCL Canada Monthly calls, where we will be going over this document together.
2. It is Federal Budget time in Canada. Leave comments online at the Canadian Budget 2017 Consultations in support of a strong and incrementally rising revenue neutral carbon tax. Using our resources on the [Canadian Laser Talks Page](#) and our November 2016 Leave Behind, leave comments online Canadian Budget 2017 Consultations <http://budget-lebudget.ca/>.
3. Help make sure climate change becomes an integral part of Canada's Environment Assessment process. Go online and fill in the choice book: <http://eareview-examenee.ca/choicebook/>

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ONGOING ACTIONS FROM OCTOBER – NOTE THE DEADLINE AND WHERE TO SEND THINGS

ON GOING #1: If you are lobbying MPs in Ottawa with us and have booked or are planning to book an appointment: create and/or update your MP Bios by November 11 and sent it to canada@citizensclimatelobby.org

ON GOING #2: Set up a lobbying appointment with your MP either for our national conference in Ottawa November 28th or 29th or in your home riding for mid-November to the end of the year if you will not be at the conference. Send the Ottawa appointments to canada@citizensclimatelobby.org as soon as you get them and in the format requested in the action sheets. Please do your best to get them to us by November 18. We will make it work. It will be much easier on all of us, especially you, if you get this in on time.

MERCI, MIIGWICH AND THANK YOU FOR YOUR TEAM WORK: This is our eleventh time making the trek to Parliament Hill together since November 2011 and our third national conference. We are winning because of the fantastic teamwork across Canada. Your attention to details and getting things in on time means the world to us.

LASER TALK # 1: AJR 43 – California Joint Resolution for Fee and Dividend

Canada and the USA's climate and energy policies are intricately linked. As well, California is the sixth largest economy in the world and is in a cap and trade deal with Ontario and Quebec. It should therefore be noted that legislators in California [passed AJR 43](#) on September 1, 2016. AJR 43 is a joint resolution urging the federal government to enact a revenue-neutral tax on carbon-based fossil fuels and return revenue from the tax back to middle- and low-income households.

LASER TALK # 2: Canada's GHG Targets are Woefully Inadequate

On Friday, November 4, 2016, the Paris Accord went into effect. The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) said that pledges put forward to cut emissions would see temperatures rise by [3C above pre-industrial levels](#). They also are warning the door will close on the [1.5C warming limit](#) in three years unless countries raise their ambition.

We will grieve over the avoidable human tragedy if we don't take more concrete actions now.

Please don't be complacent Canada. Our climate targets are [woefully inadequate](#). Moreover, Canada's pledges to reduce emissions have fallen behind the USA's targets. [Climate Action Tracker](#) gave Canada the lowest ranking: [Inadequate](#). Emissions targets in this area are less ambitious than the 2C global increase limit deemed safe by the world community. If all governments adopted an inadequate position, warming would likely exceed 3-4C. Canada's pledges must align with science and we must contribute our fair share to reduce emissions, otherwise we lose moral authority internationally.

LASER TALK # 3: Canadian Opinions on Climate Change

Update October 2016 - An October 2016 poll [from Nanos](#) found that most Canadians want federal leadership on climate change. The key findings were:

- 77% support or somewhat support a national plan that ensures Canada achieves its international climate change targets to reduce carbon emissions.
- 66% support or somewhat support the federal government taking action on its own to meet national climate change targets, if the provinces and territories aren't doing enough.
- 77% of respondents agree or somewhat agree that their province has an important responsibility to reduce carbon emissions by 2030.
- A majority of Canadians (59%) support or somewhat support a price on carbon emissions, and 62% support or somewhat support a minimum carbon price that applies across Canada.

Update September 2016 - A September 2016 [Abacus survey](#) of national opinion explored questions around using a price or tax on carbon to help combat the challenge of climate change. Here's what they found:

- Few people generally ask for taxes of any sort, and so it was perhaps not surprising that only 25% across the country "favour" a carbon price or tax. What was more interesting to us is the fact that not very many oppose the idea (31%). The plurality say can accept the taxation of carbon emissions.
- Liberal and NDP supporters see this more or less the same way (77% to 79% support or accept), while 62% of Conservative voters are opposed to the idea. Younger people are more supportive, but the majority of those over 45 also say they support or can accept it.
- Majorities in every region of the country support or accept the idea, although Alberta is essentially equally divided when a margin of error is considered.

LASER TALK # 4: China: Does it matter what we do?

We should not have any illusions about China's energy use. This one country with 1.3 billion people (to our 0.033 billion) [1, 2] accounts for almost half of the world's coal consumption [3], yet is suffering horrible environmental impacts because of it [4-6].

China is fast becoming a clean tech juggernaut globally. An October 2016 report from the International Energy Agency determined that China "remains the indisputable global leader of renewable energy expansion, representing close to 40% of growth". [7] Meanwhile Canada lost 41% of our share of clean tech sales between 2008 and 2014. [8]

Globally, clean technology represents a multi-trillion dollar opportunity. [9] Because of a lack of federal policies to incentivize investment in clean tech between 2008 and 2015, such as a strong and transparent price on carbon, innovations that were developed in Canada were manufactured in China and sold to Canada, with the majority of jobs and profits staying in China, not in Canada.

Also, it should be noted that China's cap and trade plan goes into effect in 2017 and it will give carbon pricing opponents nowhere to hide according to the United Nations. [10]

We should do all that we can to embrace clean tech. China is all in, and our economy will suffer for it if we don't.

Carbon Tax-Skeptic Claim: *Why should we move if China isn't moving?*

One-liner: *China is moving, and is already selling their solar panels back to us.*

Carbon Tax-Skeptic Claim: *It doesn't matter what we're doing because China are burning so much coal.*

One-liner: *They're also making huge investments in renewables, so if we don't move, we will permanently miss the opportunity to establish the jobs, manufacturing, and intellectual communities that come with being the world leader in an industry.*

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ACTION #1: Practice the November 2016 CCL Canada Leave Behind Document

In preparation for lobbying this month, study and practice communicating the November 2016 CCL Canada Leave Behind document. (Next Page)

The “Leave Behind” is the document we use when we lobby. It is our specific lobbying ask. After expressing a specific and meaningful appreciation for the parliamentarian’s work, we then present the Leave Behind document to the parliamentarian and make our specific ask. This is followed by a questions and answer sessions, with the goal being that the MP is leading the discussion so that we can ascertain how best help her/him. At the end of lobbying session, we ask the parliamentarian if she/he would like to keep the “leave behind document” for her/his files, and if they do let you leave it behind, that is a fairly good sign they are considering our ask.

If you are unsure of the rationale behind certain points on the Leave Behind document, attend the CCL Canada Monthly calls, where we will be going over this document together.

ACTION #2: Make a Case for a Strong Carbon Price at Canadian Budget 2017

It is federal budget time in Canada. Using our resources on the [Canadian Laser Talks Page](#) and our November 2016 Leave Behind, leave comments online at the Canadian Budget 2017 Consultations in support of a strong and incrementally rising revenue neutral carbon tax. <http://budget-lebudget.ca/>.

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ACTION #3: Make sure climate change becomes an integral part of Canada’s Environmental Assessment Process

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CITIZENS' CLIMATE LOBBY CANADA'S NOVEMBER 2016 LEAVE BEHIND

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 tax where 100 percent of the money is returned to citizens on an equitable basis in a cheque.

On October 3, 2016, Prime Minister Trudeau announced Canada will have a national price on carbon. The carbon price starts at \$10 per tonne in 2018 and rises to \$50 per tonne in 2022. We applaud the 42nd Parliament for taking this step to secure a healthy climate for us and future generations. However, \$50 per tonne won't be enough to meet Canada's goal of reducing emissions to 30% below 2005 levels by 2030. Furthermore, our current goal is [woefully inadequate](#) to the challenge posed by climate change. If every country adopted Canada's targets, this would not keep warming below 2°C, let alone the 1.5°C nations [promised](#) to pursue in Paris. In short, we are off to a great start, but must do better.

A carbon tax combined with a carbon dividend costs Canadians nothing.

CCL Canada recommends that the government adopt a modified version of its recently announced carbon pricing policy to ensure Canada's carbon pricing is effective, fair, and stimulates our clean tech industry. An annually rising minimum fee past 2022 is an important step. The federal government must also provide clarity on the fee's comprehensiveness. A fee applied at the wellhead and point of import in all provinces will most effectively reduce Canada's greenhouse gas emissions and send an economy-wide signal to invest in clean tech alternatives. A fee on some sectors and not others defeats its purpose, burdens some industries and not others and will undermine Canada's climate commitments.

A steadily rising fee will also require that revenue be returned to Canadians to protect those with low and middle incomes. A study by [Regional Economic Modeling Inc](#) found that carbon fee revenue returned to people would stimulate local economies and most importantly reduce GHG emissions.

The simple steps needed:

1. That the carbon fee be applied upstream: at the wellhead, coal mine or point of entry into the economy.
2. That the carbon fee continue to rise past 2022 with the objective of reaching at least \$130/tonne by 2030, so that Canada contributes its fair share to meeting the global goal of tackling climate change.
3. Border carbon adjustments must be 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 taxpayers. For example, the federal government could propose fee and dividend as a model policy. This could help overcome some of the opposition faced in carbon-intensive regions such as Saskatchewan and Alberta as carbon fees continue to rise.
5. To ensure that there is a consistent policy towards combatting climate change, that the federal government, as promised in the 2015 election, end financial subsidies to fossil fuels companies.

CCL is grateful for your service to Canada and for recognizing the myriad of connections between the climate crisis to many problems on Earth. It is 100% possible to begin to tackle many of these problems at one time with an effective carbon pricing policy and we are here to help you at this time of change.

Ongoing: Create and/or Update your MP Bios and by November 11 send it to: canada@citizensclimatelobby.org

By November 11, use the template below or go to this [MP bio outline](#) and send it to canada@citizensclimatelobby.org if you are lobbying with us in Ottawa and have booked an appointment with an MP. . Any MP bios sent after November 11, will probably not be formatted by our interns. Any MP bios sent after November 18, will most likely not be photocopied by us for the conference.

<p>PLEASE INSERT OFFICIAL OF THE PARLIAMENTARIAN PICTURE IN THIS BOX</p>	<p>Full name of Parliamentarian, Party affiliation, Official name of their riding When elected Rank how serious the MPP thinks climate change is: Scale 0-4: 0=you don't know ... 4=very concerned Indicate how likely they are to tow the party line Scale 0-4: 0=you don't know ... 1= very whippable 4=very independent Identify which carbon pricing policy they prefer:</p>
<p>CONTACT INFORMATION in the Capital City and Your Riding</p>	<p>Building ADDRESS and room number Contact phone number Name (s) of contact person(s) in the office</p>
<p>PERSONAL INFORMATION Prior Jobs , Family, Religion and anything noteworthy</p>	
<p>APPRECIATION FOR What has he or she done that you appreciate</p>	
<p>ELECTION INFORMATION Results of last election</p>	
<p>PARLIAMENTARY ACTIVITIES Relevant Committees Relevant Legislation Who do they work with across the aisle?</p>	
<p>CONSTITUENCY INFORMATION Demographics Key Media Outlets Key Constituency Concerns</p>	
<p>POSITIONS Energy/Climate/Environment Jobs/Economy/Provincial debt/ Carbon Pricing</p>	
<p>LOBBYING Brief lobbying notes if any from previous lobbying sessions</p>	

Ongoing: Set up a lobbying appointment with your MP either for Ottawa or in your home riding for mid-November to the end of the year

If you are lobbying with us in Ottawa November 28 and 29, assign one person in your group to secure an appointment with your MP. Find your MP using your postal code [here](#). Be sure to phone and then email the Ottawa office for your MP.

Please do not book appointments with Senators or MPs that are not your own without contacting us first. Specific talking points for the lobbying sessions will be determined by mid-November and outlined in our November 2016 “leave behinds” that is in this month’s action sheets.

If you are going to Ottawa please send the appointments to canada@citizensclimatelobby.org so that our interns and conference committee members can access the information. Please do your best to book an appointment NOW if you have not done so already and send it in them by November 18.

CCL Halifax has come up with an ingenious method to make sure they get all the correct information from their MPs and in proper format. They get the MP's staffer to fill in the information for them. Less chance for a cut and paste error, less work for everyone and ergo more fun for everyone.

NAME: Bernadette Jordan, (Liberal MP for South Shore), Leader of the Nova Scotia Caucus & special roles you may have in Parliament.

TIME: Either Monday the 28th or Tuesday, the 29th November & any time except 1-2 p.m. Nov. 28th

LOCATION: Including the building and address and room number if possible

STAFF CONTACT: The staff contact person and their contact information

CONSTITUENTS WE BRIEF REGULARLY: Brian O'Neill, Irene Lorch-Wauchope

MEETING SCHEDULED BY: Joanne Light, CCL Halifax

ALSO WANTS TO ATTEND: Andy Blair, David Henry, CCL Halifax

Here is a suggested Script which you can modify depending on your MP and their political party. For example with the Federal Liberals be sure to thank them for the national carbon price. This legislation is historical even though it is not enough – yet.

Dear [SCHEDULER'S NAME],

Thanks for the lovely phone call. Here is the email I promised. I'm writing on behalf of the [YOUR CITY] chapter of Citizens' Climate Lobby (CCL) to request a meeting with MP [NAME] Monday, November 28 or Tuesday, November 29, while I am in Ottawa at [CCL Canada's third national conference](#) and lobbying days.

We would like share information and answer questions the MP might have about carbon pricing and the urgency of the climate crisis. We can stimulate the Canadian economy while reducing carbon emissions.

Here is a great video about us and our solution: Carbon Fee and Dividend which we hope would become the national carbon pricing policy.

https://youtu.be/7SUB_mHy87w

We anticipate four or five of us will attend the meeting, myself. I will send the names of the attendees about a week before the meeting.

We appreciate you letting us know what date and time the MP might be available to see us.

Sincerely,

NAME, CITY and PHONE NUMBER