

## **MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS**

OTTAWA, Thursday, June 6, 2024 (70)

[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources met this day at 9:15 a.m., in room B30, Senate of Canada Building, the deputy chair, the Honourable Josée Verner, P.C., presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Anderson, Arnot, Galvez, McBean, McCallum, Miville-Dechêne, Robinson, Verner, P.C., Wells and White (10).

Other senators present: The Honourable Senators Cardozo and Yussuff (2).

Participating in the meeting: Jesse Good, Analyst, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, May 23, 2024, the committee continued its examination of the subject matter of Bill C-50, An Act respecting accountability, transparency and engagement to support the creation of sustainable jobs for workers and economic growth in a net-zero economy.

## APPEARING:

The Honourable Seamus O'Regan, P.C., M.P., Minister of Labour and Seniors.

## WITNESSES:

Environmental Defence Canada:

Aliénor Rougeot, Program Manager, Climate and Energy (by videoconference).

Energy for a Secure Future:

Shannon Joseph, Chair, Energy for a Secure Future.

International Institute for Sustainable Development:

Laura Cameron, Policy Advisor (by videoconference).

Canadians for Nuclear Energy:

Dr. Christopher Keefer, President (by videoconference).

Employment and Social Development Canada:

Eva Lazar, Executive Director, Special Projects, Skills and Employment Branch.

Natural Resources Canada:

Christina Paradiso, Director General, Energy Policy Branch;

Cori Anderson, Director, Sustainable Jobs.

Aliénor Rougeot, Laura Cameron, Christopher Keefer and Shannon Joseph each made a statement and answered questions.

At 10:06 a.m., the committee suspended.

At 10:10 a.m., the committee resumed.

The minister made a statement and, together with Cori Anderson, answered questions.

At 11:00 a.m., the committee suspended.

At 11:01 a.m., pursuant to rule 12-16(1)(d), the committee resumed in camera to discuss a draft report.

It was agreed that the committee allow the audio recording of the in camera portion of today's meeting, that one copy be kept with the clerk of the committee for consultation by committee members or staff, and that the audio recording be destroyed by the clerk when authorized to do so by the Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure, but no later than at the end of the current parliamentary session.

At 11:17 a.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Raymond St. Martin

Clerk of the Committee