



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Tuesday, June 11, 2024

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The Standing Senate Committee on Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources met this day at 6:30 p.m., in room B30, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Paul J. Massicotte, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Anderson, Arnot, Gold, P.C., Manning, Massicotte, McBean, Miville-Dechêne, Oudar, Petten, Verner, P.C. and Wells (11).

Other senators present: The Honourable Senators Aucoin, MacDonald, Prosper and Yussuff (4).

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

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, June 6, 2024, the committee began its examination of Bill C-49, An Act to amend the Canada—Newfoundland and Labrador Atlantic Accord Implementation Act and the Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation Act and to make consequential amendments to other Acts.

APPEARING:

The Honourable Jonathan Wilkinson, P.C., M.P., Minister of Energy and Natural Resources.

WITNESSES:

Natural Resources Canada:

Abigail Lixfeld, Senior Director, Renewable and Electrical Energy Division;

Annette Tobin, Director, Offshore Management Division;

Daniel Morin, Senior Legislative and Policy Advisor.

Department of Fisheries and Oceans:

Christie Chute, Senior Director, Programs Sector, Marine Planning and Conservation.

Parks Canada:

Lori Macadam, Director, National Marine Conservation Area Establishment.

The minister made a statement and, together with Abigail Lixfeld, Annette Tobin and Christie Chute, answered questions.

At 7:41 p.m., the committee suspended.

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.

At 7:45 p.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.

It was agreed that the draft report be adopted and that the Subcommittee on Agenda and Procedure be empowered to approve the final version of the report, taking into consideration this meeting's discussions, and with any necessary editorial, grammatical and translation changes required.

It was agreed that the chair be authorized to table the report in the Senate or with the Clerk of the Senate, in both official languages and at the earliest opportunity.

At 8:07 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Raymond St. Martin

Clerk of the Committee