



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Tuesday, May 3, 2022
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[English]

The Standing Senate Committee on National Finance met this day at 9:31 a.m., in room W110, 1 Wellington St., the chair, the Honourable Percy Mockler, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Boehm, Dagenais, Duncan, Forest, Galvez, Gerba, Gignac, Marshall, Mockler, Moncion and Pate (11).

Participating in the meeting: Kalina Waltos, Procedural Clerk and Annie Trudel, Administrative Assistant, Committees Directorate; Shaowei Pu and Michaël Lambert-Racine, analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, March 3, 2022, the committee continued its examination of the expenditures set out in the Main Estimates for the fiscal year ending March 31, 2023.

WITNESSES (by videoconference):

VIA Rail Canada:

Marie-Claude Cardin, Chief Financial Officer;

Philippe Cannon, Director, Public Affairs and Government Relations.

Natural Resources Canada:

Shirley Carruthers, Assistant Deputy Minister;

Mollie Johnson, Assistant Deputy Minister, Energy Systems Sector;

Jeff Labonté, Assistant Deputy Minister, Lands & Minerals Sector;

Drew Leyburne, Assistant Deputy Minister, Energy Technology Sector;

Sébastien Labelle, Director General, Clean Fuels Branch;

Monique Frison, Director General, Trade, Economics and Industry Branch, Canadian Forest Sector.

Veterans Affairs Canada:

Steven Harris, Assistant Deputy Minister, Service Delivery Branch;

Sara Lantz, Acting Assistant Deputy Minister, Chief Financial Officer and Corporate Services Branch;

Amy Meunier, Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic Policy and Commemoration.

Marie-Claude Cardin, Shirley Carruthers and Steven Harris each made a statement and, together with Mollie Johnson, Philippe Cannon, Sébastien Labelle, Sara Lantz, Drew Leyburne and Amy Meunier, answered questions.

At 11:32 a.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Mireille K. Aubé

Clerk of the Committee