



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, February 15, 2023

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[*English*]

The Standing Senate Committee on Transport and Communications met this day at 6:46 p.m., in room B45, Senate of Canada Building, the chair, the Honourable Leo Housakos, presiding.

Members of the committee present: The Honourable Senators Cardozo, Cormier, Dasko, Housakos, Manning, Miville-Dechêne, Simons and Wallin (8).

Participating in the meeting: Jed Chong, Analyst, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, February 10, 2022, the committee continued its study on the impacts of climate change on critical infrastructure in the transportation and communications sectors and the consequential impacts on their interdependencies.

APPEARING:

The Honourable Omar Alghabra, P.C., M.P., Minister of Transport.

WITNESSES:

Transport Canada:

Craig Hutton, Associate Assistant Deputy Minister, Policy;

Nicholas Robinson, Associate Assistant Deputy Minister, Safety and Security.

WestJet:

Andrew Gibbons, Vice President, External Affairs.

Air Canada:

David Rheault, Vice President, Government and Community Relations (by videoconference);

Kevin O'Connor, Vice President, System Operations Control (by videoconference).

The minister made a statement and, together with Craig Hutton and Nicholas Robinson, answered questions.

At 7:46 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 7:51 p.m., the committee resumed.

Andrew Gibbons and David Rheault each made a statement and, together with Kevin O'Connor, answered questions.

At 8:48 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Vincent Labrosse

Clerk of the Committee