

MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Thursday, March 24, 2022 (4) [English]

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of November 25, 2021, the Standing Senate Committee on Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources met this day in room W110, 1 Wellington Street, and with videoconference at 9:02 a.m. ET, the chair, the Honourable Paul J. Massicotte, presiding.

Members of the committee present by videoconference: The Honourable Senators Anderson, Arnot, Carignan, P.C., Galvez, Gignac, Massicotte, McCallum, Miville-Dechêne, Seidman, Sorensen and Verner, P.C. (11).

Participating in the meeting: Ericka Dupont, Procedural Clerk, Sébastien Payet, Legislative Clerk and Louise Martel, Administrative Assistant, Committees Directorate; Sam Banks and Jesse Good, analysts, Library of Parliament.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on Thursday, February 24, 2022, the committee continued its study on emerging issues related to the committee's mandate.

APPEARING:

The Honourable Steven Guilbeault, P.C., M.P., Minister of Environment and Climate Change.

WITNESSES (by videoconference):

Environment and Climate Change Canada:

Christine Hogan, Deputy Minister;

Paul Halucha, Associate Deputy Minister.

Impact Assessment Agency of Canada:

Terence Hubbard, President.

Parks Canada:

Andrew Campbell, Senior Vice-President, Operations.

Environment and Climate Change Canada:

Douglas Nevison, Assistant Deputy Minister, Climate Change Branch;

John Moffet, Assistant Deputy Minister, Environmental Protection Branch;

Hilary Geller, Assistant Deputy Minister, Strategic Policy Branch;

Nicole Cote, Director General, Protected Areas, Canadian Wildlife Services.

Impact Assessment Agency of Canada:

Simon Brault, Vice-President, Corporate Services;

Patricia Brady, Vice-President, Strategic Policy.

Parks Canada:

Michael Nadler, Vice-President, External Relations and Visitor Experience;

Christine Loth-Bown, Vice President, Indigenous Affairs and Cultural Heritage;

Darlene Upton, Vice-President, Protected Areas Establishment and Conservation.

The minister made a statement and, together with Christine Hogan, Paul Halucha, Andrew Campbell, Douglas Nevison, John Moffet, Hilary Geller and Darlene Upton, answered questions.

At 10:44 a.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Chantal Cardinal

Clerk of the Committee