



## MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, April 6, 2022

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[English]

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of March 31, 2022, the Standing Senate Committee on Transport and Communications met this day in room B45, Senate of Canada Building, and with videoconference, at 6:31 p.m. ET, the chair, the Honourable Leo Housakos, presiding.

*Members of the committee present:* The Honourable Senators Miville-Dechêne, Quinn, Simons and Sorensen (4).

*Members of the committee present by videoconference:* The Honourable Senators Cormier, Dasko, Dawson, Galvez, Housakos, Klyne and Manning (7).

*Participating in the meeting:* Shaila Anwar, Clerk Assistant, François Michaud, Procedural Clerk, Brigitte Martineau and Elda Donnelly, administrative assistants, Committees Directorate; Khamla Heminthavong, 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.

*WITNESSES (by videoconference):*

*Railway Association of Canada:*

Caroline Healey, Executive Vice-President and General Counsel;

Gregory Kolz, Director, Government Relations.

*New Brunswick Southern Railway:*

Ian Simpson, General Manager.

*Arctic Gateway Group:*

Sheldon Affleck, President and Chief Executive Officer.

*As individuals:*

Michael Hendry, Director, Canadian Rail Research Laboratory, University of Alberta;

Paul Miller, Railroader in Residence, Canadian Rail Research Laboratory, University of Alberta.

Caroline Healey, Gregory Kolz, Ian Simpson and Sheldon Affleck each made a statement and answered questions.

At 7:30 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 7:31 p.m., the committee resumed.

Michael Hendry and Paul Miller each made a statement and answered questions.

At 8:30 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

*ATTEST:*

Ericka Dupont

*Acting Clerk of the Committee*