



MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS

OTTAWA, Wednesday, June 9, 2021

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[English]

Pursuant to the order of the Senate of March 30, 2021, the Standing Senate Committee on Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources met this day by videoconference at 12:02 p.m. [ET], the chair, the Honourable Paul J. Massicotte, presiding. This meeting is considered to have taken place in the parliamentary precinct.

Members of the committee present by videoconference: The Honourable Senators Anderson, Black (*Alberta*), Carignan, P.C., Cotter, Dagenais, Galvez, Massicotte, McCallum, Miville-Dechéne, Patterson, Simons, and Verner, P.C. (12).

Participating in the meeting: Barbara Reynolds and Vincent Labrosse, Procedural Clerks, Committees Directorate; Sam Banks and Jesse Good, Analysts, Parliamentary Information and Research Services, Library of Parliament.

Also present: The official reporters of the Senate.

Pursuant to the order of reference adopted by the Senate on June 2, 2021, the committee continued its examination of the subject matter of Bill C-12, An Act respecting transparency and accountability in Canada's efforts to achieve net-zero greenhouse gas emissions by the year 2050.

APPEARING (by videoconference):

The Honourable Jonathan Wilkinson, P.C., M.P, Minister of Environment and Climate Change.

WITNESSES (by videoconference):

Department of Finance Canada:

Samuel Millar, Director General, Corporate Finance, Natural Resources and Environment, Economic Development and Corporate Finance.

Environment and Climate Change Canada:

John Moffet, Assistant Deputy Minister, Environmental Protection Branch;

Douglas Nevison, Assistant Deputy Minister, Climate Change Branch.

Équiterre:

Marc-André Viau, Director, Government Relations;

Émile Boisseau-Bouvier, Analyst, Climate Policy.

Mothers Step In:

Laure Waridel, Co-Instigator.

For Our Kids - Montreal:

Dr. Kelly Martin, Doctor and Epidemiologist.

West Coast Environmental Law:

Andrew Gage, Staff Lawyer.

Cement Association of Canada:

Michael McSweeney, President and Chief Executive Officer.

Ecojustice:

Alan Andrews, Program Director, Climate.

As an individual:

Monica Gattinger, Full Professor and Director, Positive Energy, Institute for Science, Society and Policy, University of Ottawa.

The chair made a statement.

The minister made a statement and answered questions.

At 12:55 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 1 p.m., the Honourable Senator Verner, P.C., replaced the Honourable Senator Dagenais as a member of the committee.

At 1:32 p.m., the committee resumed.

Mr. Viau, Mr. Boisseau-Bouvier, Ms. Waridel, Dr. Martin and Mr. Gage each made a statement and answered questions.

At 2:19 p.m., the committee suspended.

At 2:23 p.m., the committee resumed.

Mr. McSweeney, Mr. Andrews and Ms. Gattinger each made a statement and answered questions.

At 3:18 p.m., the committee adjourned to the call of the chair.

ATTEST:

Chantal Cardinal

Clerk of the Committee