

Update - Welcome Back!

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Attachments: MIA Overview_CO Policy (Dec 017).pptx (4.62 MB); FW_ CLB Opinion on proposed Fair Hydro Plan invoicing regulations - 8 Dec 2017 v2.msg (86.02 kB); Next steps on WEES_GWG submission.msg (1.31 MB); ANote-ENE-OEB Mandate Review and Establishment of an ERP-TBMBC-2017-12-1....pdf (249.93 kB); LRC-CBN_ENERGY Bills_DRAFT- v2 - CLB.DOCX (47.2 kB)

Hey Martha,

Welcome back, I hope the west coast was fun!

Here are some updates from David and Karen on their respective files since last Thursday (includes attachments – I will send another e-mail after this one with David's attachments as it won't all fit into one e-mail). I've also added in some notes of my own.

Hope this is helpful, please reach out tonight if you need more information.

Karen

For Dec 13 Cabinet:

- FN Microgrids and Overnight Charging – both landed smoothly, no changes between MTCC and CAB. Minister Ballard reporting in as Chair; Min Thibeault attending. Energy MO requested PA Des Rosiers attend as a follow-up from her standing in for the Minister at MTCC; ECO and PO were not supportive.
- OEB Mandate Review – added to the TB agenda at the last minute with PO support; tracking to CAB with all the other TB items (reminder: all Dec 12 items reporting to Dec 13 CAB)
- Bill Presentment (reg) – a legal risk surfaced right before LRC (moments before) and although the ministry's recommendation stayed the same the committee deferred the item to CAB for decision. I can fill you in a bit more in person, but attached are the relevant emails on this and the CBN. Leg Counsel has expressed concern that they sealed the regulations without this information and may unseal them for Cabinet. The AG would be expected to speak to this.
- CCEM – agreement that this will not report in on Dec 13, as discussion would more than likely go to Min Hoskin's request for HPPA amendments and PO was not supportive of that.

Major files:

- 2017/18 GGRA spend – sent you my meeting notes separately.
- Bill 148 update for PO – took place prior to this email being drafted; will update you tomorrow.
- WEES / GWG – the churn on this file continues. Shamira sent a clarification / direction email to the ministries in an effort to sort them out before the multi on Thursday. Sounds like PO may be leaning toward moving this over to MOL as a lead.

David

- Benefits:
 - o See summary email Dec 11 5:17 pm
 - o Branch briefing proposed 8:45 Dec 13
 - o Proceeding to meeting with DM and PO.
- Bill 148 Transition Funding (see attached OneNote):
 - o TBS roll-up submission tracking to Dec 19
 - § ECO / DMO aware this will need to sit as CAB
 - o MGCS – not receiving funding through THIS route.
 - § As small biz would see benefits from tax changes
 - § Ministry working on other measures to address payments
 - § Karen reached out to CAO
 - § HOWEVER – TBS is noting recognition that if emergency funding is needed on a one-off basis, MGCS can adjust in a year-end TBO.
 - § We are arranging a briefing for Dan, MGCS and TBS on three elements of a SPN commission approach:
 - o Emergency fund as noted above
 - o Transition funding through the end of 2018-19 through a year-end TBO or in year submission early Feb.
 - o Deloitte study on the long term sustainability to be reported in via PRRT 2018
 - o MTCS – receiving near full ask for after school programs
 - § Including funds that would go to municipalities
- Elevators:
 - o Still negotiating minute (attached)
 - o MGCS is attune to timing (January 16/17 JEP/CAB then LRC later in Jan)
- NAFTA:
 - o Have the attached deck from MIT.
 - o MIA-COC has set a meeting with POCO on Friday at 11, which will be preceded by an officials only pre-meeting at 4 on Thursday
 - o We understand that more materials to follow. MIT sets out possible scenarios on a strategic basis. MOF (OEP) is developing material that will estimate the broader economic impact and individual ministries are working on impacts and potential reactions on a sector by sector basis (e.g. OMAFRA-supply chain, MEDG – auto).
 - o Pending discussion on Friday, we'll connect with PO and you and suggested approach for next steps, e.g. major projects?
 - o DMO is aware
 - o See also Day 1 discussions.
- PRRT Doc call out:
 - o Memo from DMs (MOF and/or TBS) to all DMs seeking to get a list of all of the PRRT initiatives that have been deferred from PRRT to the doc
 - o Will look to obtain information on tracking including policy approvals if needed
 - o The ministries are working on a draft and it is expected to go out later this week
- Fed Prov:
 - o Attended briefing of Dan, CoS and senior staff from MTO and MOI on Tuesday
 - o Phase 1 extending deadline
 - o See attached decks on Phase 2.
 - § The "Updated" deck is the main one but John noticed the summary slide 11 from the "old" deck was missing so we were flipping between both
 - § Most of the discussion was centred on the political, financial, and accounting treatment of the various scenarios
 - § Scenario 3C had the most favour and Dan is going to start sensitizing in PO

and TBS' MO

§ Approval path – all agree a smaller forum is necessary before FP/MPC.

- o We can discuss – though I admit I didn't understand some of the political nuances (e.g. weighing pol interest in a Yonge extension vs downtown relief vs waterfront?)

· HR:

- o Taking the Stage

§ Recommend, in descending priority order, Gen, Maureen, Christine.

- o Resident

§ Brent Kettles, MAG counsel, begins January 8

§ Lynelle's term end Dec 31, but she will be leaving end of this week or may be here part of next depending on her vacation choices. I've made it clear she is most welcome to come in or take vacation as she wishes.

John

Other updates:

- Lucia has scheduled the orientation session (MEDG leading) for new regulatory requirements coming out of the burden reduction legislation – this session will take place Friday morning for 1.5 hours – will be in calendars soon
- We had to move the Cab Sub refresh meeting with SIB until the new year because of the conflict with the burden reduction regulatory requirements meeting, expect to see that in your calendar now – January 19
- Dianne is finding time for us, Shamira and Fatima to meet with Blair Dunker on employee engagement during the first week of January when everyone is back – Fatima is away this week and Shamira had requested that Fatima be present for the meeting
- For the Central Agency ADMs on Friday – TBS has their annual holiday brunch so they suggested moving this to the afternoon, starting at 1:00. They also asked if it was even worth having a meeting this week given the proximity to the holidays. I told them we would consult with you first and get back to them
- MIA presented to our team and the fourth floor on Friday (employee engagement ask) – presentation attached. The session was really informative and we committed to sharing portfolio lists between MIA and CO Policy (I sent ours over to MIA)
- Rosemary and I have been working on the digital JEP transition, this week we have had had another two meetings with MPPs to provide them with training – things are progressing well. I can provide a more substantial update to the team on this in the new year

As you know – I'm off on course for the next few days but will be in early tomorrow morning to touch base before I head over to 777 Bay.

Thanks,

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