

MOF - Media Summary con't Mar 7

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Minister Sousa attended the Fair Hydro Plan multicultural media round table. Here's the summary:

Punjabi TV:

Q: 25 per cent off bills, biggest rebate ever?

- It's good news for families
- It's automatic - it's on the bill

Q: Opposition is not happy with the plan?

- They don't have a plan
- We had to invest, in 2003 there were blackouts and brownouts
- The four sisters coal plants used to be here
- 40 smog days in 2008-2009
- none now
- We're spreading out costs to share the prices with future generations

Q: Any messages for our viewers?

- We're balancing the books so we can afford the things that matter
- We're investing in skills training for the next generations
- Remote communities are seeing some of the highest bills, we're finding ways to help them
- All while being fiscally responsible
- That matters

Q: I'm personally am really happy, but is it for the election?

- We're making decisions beyond the government's mandate
- We made tough decisions
- Long term report
- We're addressing challenges that are beyond the election

PTV:

Q: This is the biggest announcement in history?

- It's big indeed for a number of reasons
- We're investing 5.0B in infrastructure
- That will help future generations

Budget is out soon. What's coming? Last year was free tuition?

- Now we're helping families
- We're balancing the budget to afford things that matter

Chinese National TV:

The program is great, we're really happy, can you tell me why you did it?

- The four sisters coal plants used to be here
- 40 smog days in 2008-2009
- none now
- w e're spreading out costs more fairly with future generations who will benefit from the infrastructure we're building today

Opening Remarks:

- Four sisters were located close to here
- We cleaned up the system, got rid of dirty coal
- We lead north america
- We have integrity in our system it will last generations, but we burdened today's generation with the costs
- We've just announced a 25 per cent cut to share those costs more fairly.

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