

RE: Interview request: Scott Thompson

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I've asked Orli to call me ASAP.

From: Martin, Jessica (MOF)
Sent: April 17, 2018 11:19 AM
To: Gallant, Gabrielle (OPO)
Cc: Killorn, Bill (OPO); Giroux Namian, Orli (MOF)
Subject: FW: Interview request: Scott Thompson

It was an interview request. See below.

I did not see the request, or his final response. I have chatted with him. He will flag in the future.

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From: Blodgett, Scott (MOF)
Sent: April-17-18 11:00 AM
To: Martin, Jessica (MOF)
Subject: FW: Interview request: Scott Thompson

From: Blodgett, Scott (MOF)
Sent: April-16-18 3:46 PM
To: 'McClean, Matthew'
Subject: RE: Interview request: Scott Thompson

Hi Matt –

Deputy Minister Thompson signs a Statement of Responsibility as part of the Public Accounts process, along with Helen Angus (Deputy Minister of Treasury Board) and Cindy Veinot (Provincial Controller).

He signs off solely in his capacity as the Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Finance to provide reasonable assurance that transactions recorded in the Consolidated Financial Statements are within statutory authority, assets are properly safeguarded and reliable financial information is available for preparation of the Consolidated Financial Statements, from the Ministry of Finance perspective.

As I said in my previous email, the Public Accounts are overseen by Treasury Board and

the Fair Hydro Plan is overseen by the Ministry of Energy.

Therefore if you have any further questions about Public Accounts or the Fair Hydro Plan, we would respectfully request that you contact those ministries.

I hope this helps.

Regards,

Scott

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From: McClearn, Matthew [<mailto:MMcClearn@globeandmail.com>]
Sent: April-16-18 11:46 AM
To: Blodgett, Scott (MOF); Thompson, Scott (MOF)
Subject: RE: Interview request: Scott Thompson

Scott:

Mr. Thompson has testified before the Public Accounts Committee that “the Ministry of Finance worked very closely with the Ministry of Energy on this.” His signature appears on the Statement of Responsibility on the Public Accounts. His name will be referenced in the story. I’d love to chat with him. I think our readers would want to hear from him on this.

Matt.

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From: [Blodgett, Scott \(MOF\)](#)
Sent: April 16, 2018 11:31 AM
To: [McClearn, Matthew](#)
Cc: [Demetriades, Natasha \(ENERGY\)](#); [Vrancart, Kate \(TBS\)](#)
Subject: RE: Interview request: Scott Thompson

Good morning, Matt – thank you for your email.

With regards to the issue of the Fair Hydro Plan and Public Accounts: questions on this should be directed to my colleagues at the Ministry of Energy and the Treasury Board Secretariat.

I have copied my counterparts at these ministries, Natasha Demetriades (Energy) and Kate Vrancourt (TBS) on this email.

Regards,
Scott

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Sent: April-16-18 11:11 AM
To: Blodgett, Scott (MOF)
Subject: Interview request: Scott Thompson

Scott:

Good morning. I'm working on a piece about the financial and accounting structure of the Fair Hydro Plan and its impact on the Public Accounts, and I wanted to request an interview with Deputy Minister Scott Thompson this week. Please let me know if he's available. My own schedule. Thanks and regards,

Matt.

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From: [Blodgett, Scott \(MOF\)](#)
Sent: April 11, 2018 11:38 AM
To: [McClearn, Matthew](#)
Cc: [Vrancart, Kate \(TBS\)](#)
Subject: Pre-Election Report

Good morning, Matt – it was very nice speaking with you a few moments ago. As promised, here is the link to the Pre-Election Report:
<https://www.ontario.ca/page/2018-pre-election-report-ontarios-finances>
If you have any further questions, you can contact my counterpart at Treasury Board Secretariat, Kate Vrancourt who has been copied on this email.
Regards,
Scott

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