

RE: OESP transition to government funding- draft LRC note for fact check- Due EOD Jan 11

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Thanks, Martin. Given the urgency the note is undertaking concurrent review from in CO and other ministries. Please find attached an updated version that includes some minor edits and additions. I have left the changes tracked for ease of review. Edits to this version if possible, but not critical, but fact check on the changes would be appreciated too.

Thanks

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Sent: January-29-18 1:17 PM
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Cc: Chatterjee, Jeet (ENERGY); Armstrong, Hillary (ENERGY); Moore, Karen (CAB)
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Thanks, Tim. We're fact checking and will get you answers asap.

Martin

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Please find attached the updated note for rush fact check today in addition to the below questions. I have included an effective date of Feb 15 from your draft TEAD exemption request, but please confirm this.

Thanks

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From: Hindmarch-Watson, Tim (CAB)
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Importance: High

Martin:

Thank you for the draft materials. I appreciate the frustration that this item has been pushed out a few times because ministry materials were not ready on time. I hope that we can help you stay on the Feb 6th agenda as desired, but to do so we need to address the following ASAP today:

- What is the proposed proclamation date for the OIC and Reg effective date? The LRC form still says Feb 1st which is no longer possible, and the OIC was not contained in the draft package transmitted Friday.
- Please clarify the risks related to the variance account depletion. The materials for signature identify depletion is anticipated in March, but your email indicates that there is a risk of depletion by the Feb 20th LRC.
- Please provide the anticipated administrative cost estimate prepared under the requirements of the Reducing Regulatory Costs for Business Act, 2017 (RRCBA), and how the Ministry intends to publish this information? Given the nature of the changes, I expect the impacts to be either zero or close to it, but am not certain. Could the changes be seen to have implementation costs for distributors on top of what is already required for the program?
- Will you be in a position to share the whole package with DM signature and email confirmation of MO support by EOD today?

With regards to work, if signed finals are submitted this week, and the item does not track to Feb 6th, there is no need to resubmit, and this package will be used in support of the item for the Feb 20th agenda (much like the package submitted for the PWU item in Dec). The work will not have been in vein and people can still turn their attention to other matters. Also, while I can make no guarantees in this regard, had this package been on time it would likely have been "substantive review" which would mean that staff would likely not need to present the item to LRC on the day. This is the same for the agenda on the 20th. If the item tracks in late to either meeting, the likelihood of staff needing to make a presentation on the item to committee increases.

Happy to discuss any of this.

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Tim,

Attached is a complete package for the OESP LRC item.

- 1) Ministry Approval Form
- 2) Reg – almost finalized and will be sealed early next week for Minister to sign on Wed
- 3) TAED Exemption Request

The reconciliation for February will not happen until March. There is a risk that the variance account could be depleted by the February 20th LRC date.

Aside from risk related to the variance account, delay has other implications. This regulation has been rescheduled from December LRC dates, January LRC and now into February. Ministry staff, the OEB and Legislative Counsel have prioritized this work over other files in order to meet deadlines in each of these months, only to have the deadline slip. The regulation is now ready to go forward. Proceeding at this time would allow staff to move on to other priority files.

Please note this is with our MO for review and approval.

Thanks,
Martin

From: Hindmarch-Watson, Tim (CAB)
Sent: January-25-18 4:29 PM
To: Schlaepfer, Martin (ENERGY)
Cc: Chatterjee, Jeet (ENERGY); Armstrong, Hillary (ENERGY); Moore, Karen (CAB)
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Okay. Are you able to provide a more specific timeline for when the reconciliation of the accounts for February will happen for the program? In light of the timing we are trying to determine the risks of pushing this to the Feb 20th meeting, unfortunately.

It has been noted the variance account will be depleted once the reconciliation for Feb happens, but I'm not clear on when this actually occurs. Have heard that this may not be until March or even April, which would make the risk of pushing out relatively minor. Let me know, and happy to discuss.

Thanks

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Hi Tim,

Unfortunately our Minister won't be able to sign until next Wednesday, as we don't have a sealed reg yet.

Thanks,
Martin

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Thanks, Martin. Do you think you will be able to send in finals today of the materials?

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Tim,

Attached is a revised CO pink note on the OESP file.

Thanks,
Martin

From: Schlaepfer, Martin (ENERGY)
Sent: January-24-18 2:21 PM
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Hi Tim,

Attached is a revised OESP LRC package and PRIA form. LSB is still finalizing the reg but we should have something shortly.

This is still with our MO so any additional comments will be shared. We are also making some edits to your draft pink note.

Thanks,
Martin

From: Hindmarch-Watson, Tim (CAB)
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Hi Martin:

Just following up on this one again. Are you in a position to share drafts yet? Finals are due tomorrow, and as mentioned below I am concerned about the item getting kicked out again if materials land late. Happy to chat.

Thanks

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Hi Martin:

Please find attached the amended note for the OESP containing Energy and MCSS feedback. Do you have an updated timeline for the submission of drafts and finals of this item? ADM approved drafts for the Feb 6 meeting were due Jan 9 and finals are due Jan 25. I am concerned that without materials soon there is a risk that this item gets bumped again, increasing the risk of the variance account being depleted before the transfer. Happy to discuss.

Thanks

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Hi Tim,

Please find attached staff comments on this note.

Thanks,

Martin

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Hi Martin:

Please find attached the draft LRC note for the OESP item tracking to the Jan 23 LRC. It is largely based on the information provided in December, but, based on our conversation, I have focused the note on the OIC assuming that the reg amendments will come in at a later date.

Please provide any feedback by EOD tomorrow.

Thanks,

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