

RE: 5 Incoming OPQs for Minister Sandals response

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Thank you Nadine. I would recommend that Nadine's answers stand for questions 4 and 5, and let them come back with follow up questions if these answers are insufficient.

Mercedes

From: Petsche, Nadine (TBS)
Sent: October-11-16 5:44 PM
To: Hosick, Sarah (TBS)
Cc: Veinot, Cindy (TBS); Sawosch, Mercedes (TBS)
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Thanks Sarah.

The table is helpful. Please see my responses for Cindy's review below, and a couple of comments for Mercedes' consideration.

Nadine

From: Hosick, Sarah (TBS)
Sent: October-11-16 5:05 PM
To: Petsche, Nadine (TBS); Sawosch, Mercedes (TBS)
Cc: Danek, Mary (TBS)
Subject: RE: 5 Incoming OPQs for Minister Sandals response

Hi Nadine and Mercedes,

For the 5 OPQs that belong to OPCD, it would be easiest to track if I compile a coordinated response for Cindy's review. Due to her schedule, we will need to have responses by **October 28th** in order for her to have time to review and receive the necessary approvals.

If you could please have your areas send me the response for each of the questions in the table below that would be great. And then as you mentioned Nadine, we could incorporate the responses into future decks on the panel for consistency.

Happy to discuss.

Thanks,
Sarah

OPQ	Response – Needed by October 28 for Cindy's Review	Area
CO ID: 1,860		Nadine

QP Number: 92 OPQ Text: Ms. MacLeod — Enquiry of the Ministry — Will the President of the Treasury Board identify all members of the expert panel to review the pension accounting standards in Ontario.	In the interest of transparency, information regarding the Pension Asset Expert Advisory Panel will be made public, once the details are finalized. It is anticipated that details on the Panel's Terms of Reference, membership, planning and reporting timelines, and remuneration will be made public by the end of October. Any disclosures related to the Advisory Panel will be made by the President of Treasury Board.	
CO ID: 1,861 QP Number: 93 OPQ Text: Ms. MacLeod — Enquiry of the Ministry — Will the President of the Treasury Board provide the following information: a) When the expert panel to review pension accounting standards in Ontario was created; and b) When it will be providing recommendations and/or a report.	The creation of the Pension Asset Expert Advisory Panel is expected to take place over a period of time. Once the Panel is in place, and membership and Terms of Reference approved, it is anticipated that background details related to membership, scope and reporting expectations will be made public. Any disclosures will be made by the President of Treasury Board.	Nadine
CO ID: 1,862 QP Number: 94 OPQ Text: Ms. MacLeod — Enquiry of the Ministry — Will the President of the Treasury Board make the results of the expert panel to review pension accounting standards in Ontario public.	The work of the Pension Asset Expert Advisory Panel is being undertaken at the Province's request and to help inform future decisions regarding the accounting and valuation of pension assets for jointly sponsored pension plans on the Province's books. The Panel's results will be shared with the Auditor General, and it is anticipated that a summary of the Panel's results will also be shared with the public. Any disclosures regarding the Panel's results will be made by the President of Treasury Board.	Nadine

CO ID: 1,863 QP Number: 95 OPQ Text: Ms. MacLeod — Enquiry of the Ministry — Will the President of the Treasury Board report on how many third party <u>consultants</u> have been and will be contracted to review the financial statements and/or accounting of the province.	(needs to be scoped – 15/16? # consultants = # firms?) PA 15/16 Issues for which 3 rd party consultants used: · Hydro One IPO Accounting (Deloitte) · Pension Asset Accounting (Deloitte, PwC)	Mercedes
CO ID: 1,864 QP Number: 96 OPQ Text: Ms. MacLeod — Enquiry of the Ministry — Will the President of the Treasury Board identify all third party consultants contracted to review the financial statements and/or accounting standards of the province.	((needs to be scoped – 15/16? # consultants = # firms?) See above – Deloitte and PwC contracts related to 2015/16 Public Accounts	Mercedes

From: Petsche, Nadine (TBS)
Sent: October-11-16 4:06 PM
To: Veinot, Cindy (TBS)
Cc: Hosick, Sarah (TBS)
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Thanks Cindy. That would be the plan, but I thought that for consistency sake, key messages reflected in the responses might be included in briefing decks dealing with the Panel. n

From: Veinot, Cindy (TBS)
Sent: October-11-16 4:04 PM
To: Petsche, Nadine (TBS)
Cc: Hosick, Sarah (TBS)
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These seem like fairly simple questions. I haven't dealt with an OPQ before, but can we not just draft responses, get them approved and respond?

From: Petsche, Nadine (TBS)
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Cc: Hosick, Sarah (TBS)
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Importance: High

Cindy,
The first 3 items in the attached request are related to the Expert Panel. Perhaps we should address these Q's as part of any future briefing decks? n

From: Bridgemohan, Omla (TBS)
Sent: October-11-16 3:08 PM

To: Petsche, Nadine (TBS)
Cc: Hosick, Sarah (TBS); Wesley, Jason (TBS); Oldford, Glenn (TBS)
Subject: 5 Incoming OPQs for Minister Sandals response
Importance: High

Hi Nadine: attached you will find 5 incoming Order Paper Questions (OPQs) from Ms. MacLeod, MPP to Minister Sandals (proposed in the House) for a written response from the Minister. They are all individual questions that are similar in nature.

I'm not sure if you are familiar with OPQ request but the process are as follows:

1. Comms forward to the appropriate area to craft responses
2. Response are prepared and approved by your ADM, then send back to Comms
3. Comms to coordinate further approvals i.e. Comms director, DMO/DM, MO approves and Minister signs off
4. Comms will then upload responses into Cabinet portal (on or before Nov 16)

Please note that the due date for the responses to make its way back to CO is **Wed November 16**, which means, Comms will need the responses no later than November 7 to continue the remaining approvals/signoffs. I hope this time is sufficient.

Do not hesitate to contact either Jason or I if you have any questions around processes. I will proceed with logging this in the OCMS system for tracking.

Thank you in advance for overlooking this request

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