

RE: Greenhouse - OFHP clarification

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Hi Craig,

Attached and included below is a response to your question for question period today.

1. Do all greenhouses count as farms?

A greenhouse would receive benefit from GA financing if it met the definition of a farm as defined in the *Farm Registration and Farm Organizations Funding Act*.

2. Could greenhouses (if they count as farms) benefit from both the 25% reduction and ICI?

We are not aware of any electricity consumers that meet the criteria to be eligible for RPP and participate in the ICI program. Note: Class A consumers would receive the benefit from shifting support programs such as RRRP and OESP to provincial revenues.

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Hi Keley,

Eligibility question that we need to resolve before question period tomorrow.

From my understanding, all greenhouses count as farms under the Farm Registration Act. As per fall legislation, they are eligible for 8%.

Can we confirm that, therefore, all greenhouses will thus be eligible for the 25% reduction?

If possible, it'd be helpful to know if this is mutually exclusive with ICI participation, or if they could benefit from both.

Apologies for the rush, but thanks for your assistance.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Rogers network.