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Quotation of the day

“This LRP process introduced strong competition among developers of large renewable projects, helping to drive down price and secure clean, reliable generation for the province.”

IESO president and CEO Bruce Campbell said the electricity operator's [new procurement process](#) is more competitive and will keep prices lower than the Feed-in Tariff model

Today in Queen's Park

On the schedule

The House is adjourned for its March break constituency week. Members will reconvene on Monday, March 21 at 10:30 a.m.

Thursday's debates and proceedings

MPPs convened at 9:00 a.m. to continue second reading debate on **Bill 172**, Climate Change Mitigation and Low-carbon Economy Act. A motion to end debate was filed.

After question period, the House voted on the second reading stage of **Bill 173**, Jobs for Today and Tomorrow Act (Budget Measures). The bill passed with Liberal support and was referred to the Standing Committee on Finance and Economic Affairs (ayes 53; Nays 33).

MPPs also voted on the second reading debate on **Bill 172**, Climate Change Mitigation and Low-carbon Economy Act. The bill passed with Liberal and NDP support; the PC Party opposed (Ayes 66; 19). It was referred to the general government committee.

Associate Health Minister **Dipika Damerla** introduced a government bill entitled the Smoke-Free Ontario Amendment Act. **Bill 178** was given first reading.

The following three bills were debated at second reading during private members' business:

- Liberal MPP **Andrew Potts**' bill, **Bill 170**, Men's Health Awareness Week Act, was given second reading and referred to the Standing Committee on Justice.
- Liberal MPP **Granville Anderson**'s bill, **Bill 176**, Maternal Mental Health Awareness Day Act, was given second reading and referred to the Standing Committee on Social Policy.
- NDP MPP **Peggy Sattler**'s bill, **Bill 177**, Domestic and Sexual Violence Workplace Leave, Accommodation and Training Act, was given second reading and referred to the Standing Committee on Justice.

After voting on private members' business the House adjourned for the March break constituency week.

Question period

- The PCs began question period by saying the government's neonicotinoid ban is hurting farmers and is proof that the Liberals are out of touch with rural Ontario.
- PC leader **Patrick Brown** said a report from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency found that neonicotinoids are not a threat to honey bees.
- He said agriculture policy should be based on science, not emotion.
- Premier Wynne said the Liberals took a balanced approach on neonics and did not ban them entirely.
- PC MPP **Michael Harris** asked about a new Metrolinx bus station in Mississauga that is built so close to residential homes that bright lights are shining in their windows and exhaust from a public bathroom is blowing into their backyard.
- Transportation Minister **Steve Del Duca** said he will work with Mississauga Mayor **Bonnie Crombie** to solve the issue.

In the park

Representatives from Cancer Care Ontario, Prostate Canada and the Men's Health Foundation were at Queen's Park to watch debate on **Arthur Potts**' private members' bill.

Conservation Ontario held an MPP lunch-hour reception.

Topics of conversation

- Former Ontario Federation of Labour president **Sid Ryan** [told the *Globe and Mail*](#) that **Tim Mulcair** is not enough like U.S. Democratic nomination candidate **Bernie Sanders**, and should step aside.

- Prime Minister **Justin Trudeau** and U.S. President **Barack Obama** held a bilateral meeting on Thursday where they agreed to reduction targets for greenhouse gas and methane emissions; to streamline border trade; and to expand preclearance to new airports, including Toronto's Billy Bishop.
- The Ontario Energy Board released a [consultation document](#) for developing a regulatory framework for natural gas distributors under the incoming cap-and-trade program. The consultation will not determine the actual costs for each natural gas distributor, only a framework to assess the costs — and a “mechanism for recovery of these costs in rates.”
- Some Queen's Park guards will be [armed](#) as of March 21. The change follows the attack on Parliament Hill in 2014.

Upcoming events



March 11 at 8:50 a.m. — Toronto

Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Health and Long-term Care **John Fraser** will make an announcement about Ontario's plan to strengthen palliative and end-of-life care at Double Tree Hotel, 108 Chestnut Street.



March 11 at 10:30 a.m. — Toronto

Economic Development Minister **Brad Duguid** will discuss February job numbers in the Queen's Park media studio.



March 11 at 10:30 a.m. — Thunder Bay

Ministers **Michael Gravelle** and **Bill Mauro** will make an announcement about supporting postsecondary infrastructure at Confederation College, Aviation Centre of Excellence at Thunder Bay International Airport.



March 11 at 11:00 a.m. — Cambridge

Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Transportation **Kathryn McGarry** will make an announcement about cycling in the Waterloo Region at the Hub Bicycle Shop, 22 Queen Street West.



March 12 – 14 — Toronto

The Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association will hold annual general meeting at the Westin Harbour Castle, 1 Harbour Square. Education Minister **Liz Sandals** is scheduled to speak the AGM on Sunday at 9:30 a.m.

**March 14 at 11:30 a.m. — Toronto**

Federal Innovation, Science and Economic Development Minister **Navdeep Bains** will discuss the new federal government's approach to driving innovation and supporting Canadian business at the Toronto Region Board of Trade, Downtown Centre, 1 First Canadian Place.

**March 16 at 5:00 p.m. — Mississauga**

PC leader **Patrick Brown** will host an evening reception at the Apollo Convention Centre, 6591 Innovator Drive. Tickets are \$150 each.

**March 15 — Online**

The Ontario Chamber of Commerce will launch a new advocacy project called the Health Transformation Initiative. The OCC will launch the first of five reports, which will take a holistic look at Ontario's healthcare system as a whole. The report will be available [online](#).

News briefs – Governmental

Ministry of Health and Long-term Care

The ministry made a statement on the introduction of **Bill 178**, Smoke-Free Ontario Amendment Act. The bill amends the Smoke-Free Ontario Act and regulations under the Electronic Cigarettes Act to prohibit the use of e-cigarettes and the smoking and vaping of medical marijuana in all enclosed public spaces, workplaces and in schools and parks. It also expands the rules around how e-cigarettes can be displayed and where they can be sold. A summary of the regulation is [posted online](#) for public comment. The full release is available [online](#).

Office of the Premier

At a ground-breaking ceremony with Transportation Minister **Steve Del Duca** and Toronto Mayor **John Tory**, Premier **Kathleen Wynne** announced construction has begun on Keele Station, the first station for the Eglinton Crosstown LRT. The LRT will have 25 stations between Weston Road and Kennedy Station, linking to 54 bus routes and three TTC subway stations. The province has invested \$5.3 billion toward the LRT line; it is expected to begin service in 2021. The full release is available [online](#).

Funding announcements

- The **Seniors' Secretariat** announced a \$761,500 in the Alzheimer Society of Ontario's Finding Your Way program. Finding Your Way is a multicultural public outreach campaign that aims to prevent the risk of people with dementia wandering and going missing.

News briefs – Non-governmental

Independent Electricity System Operator

The IESO released the list of 16 contracts that have been offered under the Large Renewable Procurement process. The list includes five wind contracts, seven solar contracts and four hydroelectric contracts, totaling 450 MW of clean renewable energy capacity. The IESO said 75 per cent of the successful proposals have support from local municipalities, and more than 60 per cent have support from nearby landowners. Wind offers the lowest price, ranging from 6.45 to 10.55 cents/kWh; solar is priced between 14 and 18 cents/kWh; and hydroelectric is 17 cents/kWh. The IESO noted that these prices are lower than the Feed-in Tariff rates. Once the contracts are executed, the IESO will seek feedback from stakeholders, municipalities and Aboriginal communities on the LRP process. The full release is available [online](#).

New Democratic Party of Ontario

NDP MPP **Teresa Armstrong** held a press conference at Queen's Park to discuss government consultations on the closure of demonstration schools for students with severe learning disabilities, as well as Robarts School for the Deaf in London and Centre Jules-Léger in Ottawa. Armstrong said the government has closed the application process for next year during the consultation process and now parents and teachers feel abandoned. The NDP called on the government to unfreeze applications for next year and commit to keeping these specialized schools open. Call 416-325-2765.

Wind Concerns Ontario

Wind Concerns Ontario released a statement on the IESO contracts. Spokesperson **Jane Wilson** said the Energy Minister said it would be "virtually impossible" for a contract to be awarded without municipal support, but four of the five new wind contracts are located in communities that did not support wind power. Wilson said the community of Dutton-Dunwich voted 'no' via referendum, but is now getting turbines anyway. Wind Concerns Ontario said the new wind turbines will cost Ontario \$1.3 billion over 20 years. The full release is available [online](#).

New lobbyist registrations

New lobbyist registrations from March 4 – March 10, 2016

Client — Parkland Fuel Corporation

Consultant — Michael Westcott

Firm — Crestview

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Issues relating to the expansion of natural gas infrastructure in Ontario.

Client — Canadian Healthcare Management Inc.

Consultant — Francesca Grosso

Firm — Grosso McCarthy Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Our objective is to educate the government on the alternative case costing software solution available through the client, identify the time frame and approach for the next procurement process and ensure the client is considered as a possible vendor for this service.

Organization — Paper & Paperboard Packaging Environmental Council

Consultant — John Mullinder

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Meetings with the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change to find alternate uses for Old Corrugated Cartons (OCCs) and banning OCCs from landfills. Monitoring environmental paper packaging initiatives with Stewardship Ontario. Monitoring Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) strategies / Blue Box recycling initiatives.

Organization — Cameco Corporation

Consultant — Nicole Emanuel

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Arranging meetings with provincial public office holders to build relationships and highlight issues (policies, regulations etc.) that are of particular interest to Cameco and the nuclear sector in Ontario.
 - Meetings will work to describe Cameco's activities in the production of safe, clean and reliable energy, raise awareness about issues and opportunities that have the potential to impact our company and Ontario's nuclear industry, as well as the economic and social impact that Cameco has on the constituencies these public office holders govern.

Client — Miziwe Biik Aboriginal Employment & Training

Consultant — Brian Teefy

Firm — StrategyCorp Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Seeking capital funding for the development of a Training Institute.

Client — EMD Inc., Canada

Consultant — Grant Gonzales

Firm — Counsel Public Affairs Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Arranging and facilitating meetings to ensure EMD Inc. is known to the Ontario Government; and ensuring EMD is aware of any potential policy changes affecting the pharmaceutical industry in Ontario; and promoting the role new technologies can play in adherence monitoring and improvement.

Client — Vertex Pharmaceuticals Inc.

Consultant — Grant Gonzales

Firm — Counsel Public Affairs Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Lobbying goal is the listing and reimbursement of Health Canada approved Vertex medicines by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care's Ontario Public Drug Programs.

Client — Corporation of the Town of Oakville

Consultant — Bob Lopinski and Philip Dewan

Firm — Counsel Public Affairs Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Matters pertaining to the Coordinated Review, growing the Greenbelt and designated areas for growth in municipal official plans relative to the Places to Grow Plan.

Client — Ducks Unlimited Canada

Consultant — Jim Pimblett

Firm — Jim Pimblett

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - To advocate for the development of a province wide comprehensive wetlands policy.

Client — Township of Lake of Bays

Consultant — Paul Brown, Barry Campbell, Chris Holz and Natalie Dash

Firm — Campbell Strategies

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**

- Ensuring that upper tier municipalities follow the Province's OPP Formula to divide costs among lower-tier municipalities based on usage, upper-tier governance reform, managing rising police costs and ensuring appropriate oversight of police services.

Client — D-Wave Systems Inc.

Consultant — Jacques Shores

Firm — Gowling WLG

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**

- Representations on behalf of the company regarding the activities and initiatives of D-Wave to address potential opportunities with Universities and government institutions.

Organization — Canadians for Clean Prosperity

Consultant — Mark Cameron

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**

- Support for Individual Producer Responsibility for landfill waste in Ontario. Fully refunded greenhouse gas pollution fees in Ontario. Corporate environmental responsibility.

Client — Canadian Payday Loan Association

Consultant — Brain Teefy

Firm — StrategyCorp Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**

- Propose amendments that limit illegal market activity, to Bill 156 - Alternative Financial Services Statute Law Amendment Act, 2015

Client — Motion Specialties

Consultant — Mike Semansky and Rob Nicol

Firm — StrategyCorp Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**

- Informing government officials of transaction between Shoppers Home Health Care and Motion Specialties
- Motion Specialties taking over responsibility for contract with Ontario Government for the Central Equipment Pool (CEP)

Client — Sigma Energy Storage

Consultant — Chris Benedetti

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Matters related to the development of policies, planning and procurement in the area of energy storage, particularly in the context of compressed air energy storage and the anticipated refresh of the Ontario Long Term Energy Plan.

Client — Spark Power Corporation

Consultant — Chris Benedetti

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Matters related to the development of a community co-operative virtual net-metering program, enabled through support of the Conservation First Framework (specifically LDC Innovation Pilots) with the Ministry of Energy and the Independent Electricity System Operator; matters related to the evolution of solar and renewable power planning and procurement in Ontario.

Client — Yorkville Education Company

Consultant — Marion Crane

Firm — RTRC Consulting

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Ensuring that private career colleges are treated equitably and that Yorkville Education's applications in Ontario to become a university are acted upon promptly and fairly.

Client — Major International Festivals and Events Network

Consultant — David Angus

Firm — The Capital Hill Group Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - To provide input related to the Canada 150 funding criteria development process.

Organization — Ontario Nature

Consultant — Caroline Schultz

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - The Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan, the Niagara Escarpment Plan, the Greenbelt Plan and the Greater Golden Horseshoe Growth Plan. The goal is to strengthen the protection provisions in all plans to ensure that biodiversity is conserved and to support sustainable economic

opportunities that are compatible with natural heritage and biodiversity protection.

- Pollinator Health Action Plan: Ontario Nature's goal is to ensure a comprehensive plan that will conserve and protect all pollinator species. Ontario Nature's particular interest is the conservation of wild pollinators.
- Ontario Wetlands Strategic Plan: Ontario Nature's goal is to ensure that reflects key protection and conservation recommendations put forward by Ontario Nature developed in partnership with First Nations and key stakeholders.

Client — Canadian Association of Pharmacy Distribution Management

Consultant — Kelly Baker

Firm — StrategyCorp Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**

- Discussions with government officials with regards to the development of a marijuana distribution system.

Client — Building and Concrete Restoration Association of Ontario

Consultant — Megan Archer

Firm — Policy Concepts Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**

- Meetings with ministry representatives to provide advice to client regarding Ontario Regulation 213/91 - Construction Projects - under the Occupational Health and Safety Act.
- The Association is a member of the Government's Construction Legislative Review Committee's Suspended Access Equipment Working Group with the mandate to review the above regulation and make recommendations to improve the regulatory safety environment.

Client — Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation

Consultant — Barbara Joy

Firm — Daisy Consulting Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**

- Arranging and facilitating meetings between government officials and client to assist with renegotiating the terms of the First Nation's / Crown's 1993 long-standing agreement regarding the Great Blue Heron Charity Casino.

Lobbyist re-registrations and amended registrations

Lobbying renewals and amended registrations from March 4 – March 10, 2016

Client — RES Canada Inc.

Consultant — Robyn Gray, Chris Benedetti, Sarah Simmons and David Timm

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Matters related to the planning and procurement of renewable energy assets in Ontario, particularly related to the Large Renewable Procurement program. Also matters related to the planning and procurement of energy storage technologies, including access to Ontario's Smart Grid Fund.

Client — Capstone Infrastructure Corporation

Consultant — Robyn Gray, Chris Benedetti and David Timm

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Policies in support of: the implementation of the Long Term Energy Plan, development of new alternative supply options and transmission policy. Support for permitting approvals for Capstone's contracted projects.

Client — Association of Professional Geoscientists of Ontario

Consultant — Megan Archer and George Boddington

Firm — Policy Concepts Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Amend the Professional Geoscientists Act, 2000 to include the authority to request injunctions against those illegally practicing in Ontario.
 - Regulatory amendments to address the Registrar's ability to ensure all practicing geoscientists in Ontario are registered, to clarify the nomenclature that geoscientists use to describe their professional positions and to establish a Continuing Professional Development program as a mandatory condition of continued registration.

Organization — ArcelorMittal Dofasco Inc.

Consultant — Tony Valeri

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Communicating with governmental officials with respect to competition in the Steel sector in Ontario and how it affects the industry as a whole; pension regulation with respect to solvency requirements and ensuring more focus on capital investments. Support for apprenticeship training; EITE support in the Cap and Trade program.

- Working with the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) to obtain and maintain funding under the OPA Industrial Accelerator and the OPA Industrial Energy Incentive. Communication with government officials with respect to a Strategic Jobs and Investment Fund (SJIF) contract term extension.

Organization — Allstate Insurance Company of Canada

Consultant — Nicole Watts

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Implementation of the changes to the Automobile Insurance Rate Stabilization Act and the Insurance Act.
 - Participate in consultations as part of the FSCO mandate review with the Ministry of Finance.

Client — Brookfield Asset Management Inc.

Consultant — David Timm

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Matters related to electricity planning and procurement, specifically related to hydroelectric generation under the Hydroelectric Contract Initiative (HCI) and the Hydroelectric Standard Offer Program (HESOP) contracting regimes, and the Large Renewable Procurement process for wind power generation.
 - Also matters related to potential restructuring of the distribution and transmission sector in Ontario; transmission planning and procurement; storage and smart grid technologies; and Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) deliberations on capacity markets, capacity auctions, and electricity agreements with adjacent markets.

Client — Algonquin Power Corp.

Consultant — David Timm

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Matters related to policy, planning and procurement of renewable energy in Ontario, specifically wind and solar power generation under the Large Renewable Procurement program, as well as regulatory permitting and approvals related to the Renewable Energy Approval process.

Client — Capital Power Corporation

Consultant — David Timm

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - To assist Capital Power provide insights on matters relating to: energy policy, planning and procurement under the Long Term Energy Plan; and to the Large Renewable Procurement Request for Proposal (RFP).

Client — BluEarth Renewables Inc.

Consultant — David Timm

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Development of the Large Renewable Procurement process, including consultations related to the development, implementation and management of the Request for Quotation/Request for Proposal (RFQ/RFP) process and criteria for procuring renewable power projects through the Independent Electricity System Operator.

Client — TransAlta Corporation

Consultant — David Timm

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Matters related to the future procurement of electricity generation assets, including the potential development of a capacity market in consultation with the Independent Electricity System Operator.

Client — EDF – EN Canada Inc.

Consultant — David Timm

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Management of the Large Renewable Procurement process, including consultations related to the development, implementation and management of the Request for Quotation/Request for Proposal (RFQ/RFP) process, guidance through the selection process, and criteria for procuring renewable power projects through the Independent Electricity System Operator.

Client — CanSIA

Consultant — David Timm

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Ontario Regulation 359/09 – Renewable Energy Approvals (REA) under Part V.0.1 of the Environmental Protection Act, specifically necessary revisions required to the REA process.
 - Matters related to solar power generation in Ontario under the Feed-in Tariff (FIT), microFIT, and Large Renewable Procurement processes, ranging from power system planning to various aspects of the procurement and contractual landscape.
 - Also matters related to the potential restructuring of the distribution and transmission sector in Ontario; transmission planning and procurement; storage and smart grid technologies; and Independent Electricity System

Operator (IESO) deliberations on capacity markets, capacity auctions, and electricity agreements with adjacent markets.

Client — Catholic Health International

Consultant — Megan Archer and George Boddington

Firm — Policy Concepts Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Review of general health policy regarding hospitals, long-term care, mental health and clinical care services with an emphasis on possible hospital consolidations and the proposed right to die policy.

Client — Progressive Contractors Association of Canada

Consultant — Kelly Baker

Firm — StrategyCorp Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Discussions with government about fair and open competition in public tendering.
 - Discussions with government regarding equitable implementation of the Canada-Ontario Job Grant.

Client — Walton Development and Management LP

Consultant — Kelly Baker

Firm — StrategyCorp Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Assist client in facilitating the land planning and land development approvals in Ontario under the following pieces of legislation: Places to Grow Act; Planning Act; Greenbelt Act; Conservation Authority Act and the Municipal Act.

Client — Ontario Dental Association

Consultant — Paul Pellegrini

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Seeking meetings on the Healthy Smiles initiative, and the potential outsourcing of government dental programs.

Organization — Electricity Distributors Association
Consultant — John Loucks

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - **Bill 112**, Strengthening Consumer Protection and Electricity System Oversight Act, 2015. The EDA is supporting provisions to enhance opportunities for LDC scope expansion through the Bill. The EDA is also supportive of the provisions which ban door-to-door marketing for electricity retailers and unrestrict the services that can be offered by LDC affiliates. The EDA plans to appear at the appropriate committee reviewing the Bill to speak to our views.
 - Keeping apprised of Regulations or Legislation stemming from the work of the Premier's Advisory Council on Government Assets, when announced; Working on the implementation of the following regulations and responding to any issues that may arise with respect to how the structure of these regulations may affect the Electricity Distributors' industry.
 - Monitoring the following the following policies and programs and responding to issues as they arise:
 - Energy and Taxation (Finance) policies impacting local distribution companies;
 - Alternative approaches to regulations based on safety objectives;
 - Ontario Municipal Employees Retirement System;
 - Regulations, codes and proceedings affecting electricity distributors authored by the Ontario Energy Board;
 - Market rules affecting electricity distributors authored by the Independent Electricity System Operator;
 - Regulations and codes affecting electricity distributors authored by Electrical Safety Authority

Organization — Ontario Bioscience Industry Organization
Consultant — Gail Garland

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Budget Measures, 2016 – Ontario Budget, implementing programs affecting Ontario's bioscience industry. Lobbying efforts include advocating for funding for companies conducting research and development in Ontario under the various funding programs, a tax credit for innovative human technology companies and the adoption of innovative technologies. As well, it may happen that I recommend revitalization or re-structuring of existing or past programs.
 - Seeking additional grant funding for continuation of the Ontario Bioscience Industry Organization Capital Access Advisory Program (CAAP). Funding for various industry initiatives and Ontario Bioscience Industry Organization delivered programs to benefit human health technology and bioscience companies.

Organization — REALpac – Real Property Association of Canada
Consultant — Michael Brooks

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Carbon Pricing: Advocating and providing comments to various ministries on the commercial real estate sector's views on a potential carbon taxation or pricing framework in Ontario.
 - This includes the 'Cap and Trade' system to be implemented in Ontario in 2015. Amendments to the Ontario Real Estate and Business Brokers Act (REBBA) that would allow the commercial real estate industry to operate more efficiently.
 - **Bill 39**, Planning Statute Law Amendment Act, 2014: Working with members of the Legislative Assembly to re-craft amendments to the Planning Act and City of Toronto Act which would be fair and transparent for the commercial real estate sector.
 - Working with the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing to ensure that **Bill 73**: An Act to amend the Development Charges Act, 1997 and the Planning Act contains fair principles that encourage development in Ontario.
 - Specifically advocating that development charges and land use planning issues do not impose harsh policy and financial burdens on the real estate industry.
 - Ontario's Climate Ready Adaptation Strategy: Providing suggestions and comments on Ontario's long-term climate adaption and sustainability strategies as they pertain to goals for the development and real estate investment industry.
 - Establishing a robust sustainable development strategy – working with government to improve energy efficiency and green building practices through the creation of sound public policy.
 - Regional transit and transportation planning and financing strategies.
 - Advocating for fair strategies to fund transit development.
 - Land Use Planning and Appeal and Development Charges Systems Review- Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing.

Organization — Ontario English Catholic Teachers' Association
Consultant — Marshall Jarvis

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Monitoring and providing input on education and policy and program issues. Where deemed necessary we will engage in discussions related to education (funding, collective bargaining, curriculum development & implementation, College of Teachers), labour issues, social services, child & youth programs and initiatives.
 - This includes possible revisions to the School Boards Collective Bargaining Act.
 - Discussions with government officials about the importance of Catholic schools, appropriate funding for Catholic education programs,

submissions for pre-budget consultations and monitoring any changes to regulatory or policy issues related to education, youth, childcare, poverty, Education Quality and Accountability Office (EQAO), certification, labour relations and social justice.

- Monitoring any proposals to privatize school/education related services either directly or through tax credits.

Organization — Tembec Inc.

Consultant — Paul Dottori

▪ **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**

- Northern Development Pulp & Paper electricity programs: Demand response program to facilitate contribution to Ontario's energy needs.
- Lobbying to ensure participation and continued support for Northern Ontario industry by extending and revising the Northern Industrial Electricity Rate (NIER) program for three years and otherwise working towards maintaining competitive electricity rates for Ontario industrials.
- Cap and Trade System (Ontario, Quebec, California) Involved in discussions with the Ontario Government and associations (Ampco) as part of the overall Government consultation on implementation process to ensure that it is done with a review of economic development and limit negative impact to electricity prices and policies.

Client — FCA Canada Inc.

Consultant — Douglas Jure

Firm — Douglas Jure & Associates Inc.

▪ **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**

- Climate Change Mitigation and Low-Carbon Economy Act. Of specific interest is the design and implementation of the cap-and-trade system as it affecting manufacturing costs.
- Ontario Registered Pension Plan. Of specific interest is how the ORPP will compliment FCA's pension program.
- Monitoring government policies, programs and decisions affecting FCA Canada and responding to issues as they arise.
- Specifically with respect to the government's general economic policy that identifies sector priorities, that is, the priority placed on supporting the automotive sector; Fiscal matters that include the tax burden and regulatory compliance costs;
- Transportation and the efficient and effective movement of parts and assembled vehicles (primarily to the United States market) and concerns about the government's commitment to supporting the just-in-time supplier system to plants in Windsor and Brampton and regulatory compliance respecting the movement of those parts and vehicles by truck.

Client — SYKES Assistance Services Corporation

Consultant — Peter Curtis

Firm — Pathway Group Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Lobbying government to improve telehealth services to the public by raising awareness of services client offers.

Client — NextEra Energy Canada ULC

Consultant — Bob Lopinski and Philip Dewan

Firm — Counsel Public Affairs Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Policies in support of renewable energy developments, long term energy plan, new alternative supply options and transmission policy.
 - Renewable energy approvals for NextEra's approved projects.
 - Potential changes to property tax treatment of wind turbines arising from the Special Purpose Business Property Assessment Review.

Client — Canadian Tire Corporation Ltd.

Consultant — Leslie Noble

Firm — StrategyCorp Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Monitoring government policies related to driver education and helping to ensure that Ontarians have easy access to driver education materials and resources to enable them to make smart driving decisions.
 - Monitoring government policies related to improving the quality and availability of physical activities for young Ontarians in the school, in organized sports and in their daily life.
 - Monitoring government policies related to informing Ontario drivers on their options to increase safe driving practices including tire choices suited to weather conditions.
 - Monitoring government policies related to waste diversion policies in the province of Ontario.
 - Lobbying goal and intended outcome is to keep client informed and to potentially further enhance client's business dealings.

Client — Merck Canada Inc.

Consultant — Jason Grier

Firm — Santis Health Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Public health initiatives (particularly immunization), policies supporting formulary access decisions, chronic disease management, and support for health care innovation.

Client — Boehringer-Ingelheim Canada

Consultant — Jason Grier

Firm — Santis Health Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Work with the government to be a part of the conversations on policies and processes for formulary access, pan-Canadian initiatives, and support for innovation in health care delivery.

Client — Ontario Pharmacists Association

Consultant — Carly Martin

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Development of regulations related to the Regulated Health Professions Statute Law Amendment Act and expanded scope of professional practice by pharmacists; Ongoing issues related to pharmacists' services and compensation within the Ontario Public Drug Program; Expansion of the Meds Check program.

Client — Ontario Association of Optometrists

Consultant — Jason Grier

Firm — Santis Health Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Optimizing scope of practice, as permitted under current legislation (i.e. drug prescribing)
 - Pursuing, on multiple fronts, measures to support optometrists' role as primary eye care providers to the benefit of patients and the efficiency/cost effectiveness of health care delivery.
 - Objectives include optimizing scope of practice for Ontario's doctors of optometrists, modernizing the fee schedule, and new policies and programs to support a greater role for optometry in the provision of eye health care in collaboration with other HCPs currently engaged in this area.

Client — Brooks Road Environmental

Consultant — Robyn Gray

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Seeking approval of Environmental Assessment application for vertical expansion of its facility, per the Environmental Assessment Act.

Client — Healthcare of Ontario Pension Plan

Consultant — Carly Martin and Joseph Ragusa

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Arranging briefing sessions to inform MPPs and Ministers of the findings of recent research into defined benefit pension plans.

Client — Senvion Canada Inc.

Consultant — David Timm

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Ongoing approvals of Feed-in Tariff (FIT)-contracted wind power facilities in Ontario, specifically related to permitting and approvals under the Renewable Energy Approvals process, as well as amendments to REA approvals where appropriate, and managing contractual milestone provisions embedded in the FIT contracts for Senvion-supplied projects.
 - The intended outcome is the successful operation of Senvion-supplied wind power projects, as well as to advise government on a variety of matters related to the planning and procurement of renewable generation in Ontario (including domestic content requirements under the existing FIT contracts, and policies that could support local supply chains in the future).

Client — Invenergy LLC

Consultant — David Timm

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Policies in support of: the implementation of the Long Term Energy Plan; new alternative supply options; and permitting and approvals modernization.

Client — Blue-Zone Technologies Ltd.

Consultant — Carly Martin

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Proposal for Green House Gas abatement as part of Climate Change Consultations.

Client — Pattern Energy Group

Consultant — David Timm

Firm — Sussex Strategy Group

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Development of the Large Renewable Procurement process, including consultations related to the development, implementation and management of the Request for Quotation/Request for Proposal (RFQ/RFP) process and criteria for procuring renewable power projects through the Independent Electricity System Operator.

Client — Intervac - International Vaccine Centre

Consultant — Douglas Richardson

Firm — McKercher LLP

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Support from Ontario government for operating costs at the International Vaccine Centre.

Organization — Gilead Sciences Canada Inc.

Consultant — Linnea Doyle

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Briefing key stakeholders about our company, products and value offerings. Engaging with respect to programs and policy considerations that impact the therapeutic areas where our products are focused. Introducing pipeline products and system considerations, one-on-one meetings with selected MPP's and Ministry staff.

Organization — Planet Energy

Consultant — Nino Silvestri

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Discussions with the Ontario government regarding **Bill 111**, Ending Predatory Electricity Retailing Act, 2016. - Lobbying will be focused on opposing this legislation as breaching the Canadian Charter of Rights of Freedoms.
 - Discussions with government regarding the Strengthening Consumer Protection and the Electricity System Oversight Act, 2015 (**Bill 112**).
 - Lobbying activities will be focused on ensuring sections of **Bill 112** related to verification process, remuneration of sales agents and restrictions on in-home sales accommodate Planet Energy's unique sales model.
 - Lobbying will also be focused on the development of subsequent regulations for the retail energy market, if **Bill 112** is passed by the Legislature.

Organization — Ontario Dental Hygienists' Association

Consultant — Margaret Carter

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Regulated Health Professions Act amendments/proposals that may come from Ministerial referrals to the Health Professions Regulatory Advisory Council, other government initiatives, or private members impacting oral health, overall health, social assistance, the regulation of current or new professions and health human resources.
 - Amendments to the Healing Arts Radiation Protection Act (HARP) as it is significantly out of date in terms of the current technology and that dental hygienists should be designated as Radiation Protection Officers and that dental hygienists should be able to prescribe radiographs within their scope of practice and that the Dental Advisory Committee (DAC) (and the other advisory committees) ceased meeting and there were issues of importance that the DAC was working on. Policies, programs and proposals that impact oral health care and services, the profession of dental hygiene, the association or health care education and regulation.

Organization — Registered Practical Nurses Association of Ontario

Consultant — Dianne Martin

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Monitoring the Regulated Health Professions Act, 1991 and the Nursing Act, 1991 to identify and address potential legislative barriers impacting nursing professional practice.
 - Monitoring Ontario Regulation 275/94 under the Nursing Act, 1991 to identify and address potential regulatory barriers impacting nursing professional practice
 - Engaging government officials and providing advice to the Joint Provincial Nursing Committee and the Nursing Policy and Innovation Branch about provincial nursing and healthcare policies and programs

Organization — Automotive Parts Manufacturers' Association

Consultant — Flavio Volpe

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Monitor competitiveness issues for Ontario manufacturers. Namely, electricity rates, infrastructure, climate change and taxation.
 - Obtain support to help advance product development and commercialization and competitiveness for individual companies in the sector at large.

Organization — Frontier College

Consultant — Sherry Campbell

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Increasing funding for literacy. Stabilizing current sources of Ontario government funding for Frontier College. Increasing awareness of the issue of literacy. Increasing the profile of Frontier College.
 - Literacy and Basic Skills (LBS) Program, Developmental Services, Ministry of Education funding for literacy programs

Organization — Egg Farmers of Ontario

Consultant — Harry Pelissero

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Monitoring Ontario Regulation 407 - Eggs-Marketing, Ontario Regulation 409 - Eggs-Plan under the Farm Products Marketing Act.
 - Represent the interest of Egg Farmers of Ontario to the MPPs and promote and protect the egg supply management system in the province of Ontario.

Organization — Financial Planning Standards Council

Consultant — Cary List

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Tailored regulation of financial planners as mentioned in the 2014, 2015 and 2016 budget.
 - Working and making presentations to the Expert Committee to consider financial advisory and financial planning policy alternatives.
 - Communications with government officials about the regulation of financial planning; as well as the promotion of financial planning and financial education.

Client — Harris Canada Systems

Consultant — Harvey Nightingale

Firm — Hill + Knowlton Strategies

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Introducing Harris Corporation into the Ontario government marketplace for the opportunity to bid on the forthcoming Government Mobile Communications Project. It is important for the government to know about Harris Corporation's value and capabilities in light of the above proposed Request For Proposal (RFP).

Client — Medavie EMS

Consultant — Michael McCarthy

Firm — Grosso McCarthy Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Advocating for importing the Nova Scotia model of integrated para-medicine into health links, specifically in the Erie St. Clair LHIN region.

Client — Biogen Idec Canada Inc.

Consultant — Michael McCarthy

Firm — Grosso McCarthy Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Advocating for coverage of hemophilia products with Canadian Blood Services.

Client — PearTree Financial Services Ltd.

Consultant — Brianna Ames

Firm — Fleishman-Hillard Canada Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Increasing tax incentives for mineral exploration with respect to Ontario's Focused Flow-Through Share Tax Credit.

Client — Xplornet

Consultant — Brianna Ames

Firm — Fleishman-Hillard Canada Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Briefings on rural broadband services in Ontario; discussions regarding development of consumer protection code

Client — Municipal Property Assessment Corporation

Consultant — Brianna Ames

Firm — Fleishman-Hillard Canada Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Providing updates on the administration of the property assessment system.

Client — Ontario Camps Association

Consultant — Clark Rabbior

Firm — Global Public Affairs Inc.

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Matters related to camps - in particular, the recent termination of the Summer Jobs Service Program.

Client — Royal Park Homes

Consultant — Giancarlo Drennan and Bliss Baker

Firm — Maple Leaf Strategies

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Promote and advocate on behalf of client for the building of environmentally friendly, sustainable communities.

Client — Signature Communities

Consultant — Giancarlo Drennan and Bliss Baker

Firm — Maple Leaf Strategies

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Promote and advocate on behalf of client for the building of environmentally friendly, sustainable communities.

Client — Windstream Energy Inc.

Consultant — Giancarlo Drennan

Firm — Maple Leaf Strategies

- **Name or Description of Policy, Program or Decision:**
 - Monitoring the setback requirements for offshore wind power generation, Applicant of Record status for offshore wind development and managing any issues related to the Independent Electricity System Operator's Feed-in Tariff (FIT) program as they arise, on behalf of client.