

# Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy

## 1. Overview of the federal government’s approach to sustainable development

The [2013–16 Federal Sustainable Development Strategy](#) (FSDS) presents the Government of Canada’s sustainable development activities, as required by the [Federal Sustainable Development Act](#). In keeping with the objectives of the Act to make environmental decision making more transparent and accountable to Parliament, the Patented Medicine Prices Review Board supports the implementation of the FSDS through the activities described in this supplementary information table.

## 2. Our Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy

This Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy describes the Patented Medicine Prices Review Board’s actions in support of Theme IV: shrinking the environmental footprint, beginning with government. The report for 2016–17 presents a high-level overview of results and is the final report under the 2013–16 FSDS. [Last year’s report](#) is available on the departmental website.

## 3. Departmental performance highlights

### **Theme IV: shrinking the environmental footprint, beginning with government**

Under Theme IV, the Patented Medicine Prices Review Board contributed to the 2013–16 FSDS through two implementation strategies for Goal 7 waste and asset management.

FSDS goal	FSDS target	FSDS performance indicator	FSDS performance results
<b>Goal 7: waste and asset management</b> <b>Reduce waste generated, and minimize the environmental impacts of assets throughout their life cycle.</b>	<b>ASSET MANAGEMENT AND GREEN PROCUREMENT</b> As of April 1, 2014, the Government of Canada will continue to take action to embed environmental considerations into public procurement, in accordance with the federal Policy on Green Procurement.	Departmental approach to further the implementation of the Policy on Green Procurement in place	Yes

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	<b>ASSET MANAGEMENT AND GREEN PROCUREMENT</b>	Number and percentage of specialists in procurement and/or material management who have completed the Canada School of Public Service Procurement course or equivalent, in the given fiscal year.	The PMPRB has centralized procurement; there are two specialists in procurement and/or material management and both (100%) have completed the Canada School of Public Service Procurement course in a prior year.
	<b>ASSET MANAGEMENT AND GREEN PROCUREMENT</b> Use Green Consolidated Procurement Instruments for IT Hardware.	Green consolidated procurement instruments are used for acquisition of IT hardware.	The PMPRB uses Shared Services Canada (SSC) for purchases of all IT related equipment. SSC uses green consolidated procurement instruments for IT hardware.
	<b>ASSET MANAGEMENT AND GREEN PROCUREMENT</b> Purchase reused or recycled workplace material and assets.	100% of toner cartridges and paper purchased are reused or recycled.	In 2016-17 the PMPRB purchased: 100% recycled toner cartridges 100% recycled paper
	<b>WASTE MANAGEMENT</b> Dispose of e-waste in an environmentally sound and secure manner.	100% of e-waste is disposed of in an environmentally sound and secure manner	All surplus electronic and electrical equipment is disposed of in accordance with the <a href="#">Federal Electronic Waste Strategy</a> .

### Implementation strategies: performance summary

The PMPRB always considers the following factors when making purchases:

- Reduce Use – the PMPRB purchases only what is necessary and reuses as much as possible.
- Use of Standing Offers – Public Services and Procurement Canada is continually renewing standing offers for the most commonly procured goods and services and additionally increasing the integration of environmental considerations.
- Look for Environmental Certifications – there are now reliable environmental labels and standards widely adopted by the industry, including EcoLogo, Green Seal, ENERGY STAR and Electronic Product

Environmental Assessment Tool (EPEAT), which make it easy to identify environmentally preferable goods.

- Include environmental considerations in solicitation documents.