

# Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy

## 1. Context for the Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy

The [2016–2019 Federal Sustainable Development Strategy](#) (FSDS):

- sets out the Government of Canada’s sustainable development priorities
- establishes goals and targets
- identifies actions to achieve them, 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 (PMPRB) supports reporting on the implementation of the FSDS and its Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy, or equivalent document, through the activities described in this supplementary information table.

## 2. Sustainable Development in the Patented Medicine Prices Review Board

The PMPRB’s Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy for 2017 to 2020 describes the department’s actions in support of achieving the transition to a low-carbon economy through green procurement and promoting sustainable travel practices. This supplementary information table presents available results for the departmental action[s] pertinent to these goals. Last year’s supplementary information table is posted on the [department’s website](#).

## 3. Departmental performance by FSDS goal

The following table provides performance information on departmental actions in support of the FSDS goals listed in section 2.

FSDS goal: low-carbon government

FSDS target(s)	FSDS contributing action(s)	Corresponding departmental action(s)	Support for UN Sustainable Development Goal target*	Starting point(s), target(s) and performance indicator(s) for departmental actions	Results achieved†
Reduce greenhouse gas emissions from federal government buildings and fleets by 40% below 2005 levels by 2030, with an aspiration to achieve it by 2025	Improve the energy efficiency of our buildings/operations	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
	Modernize our fleet	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
	Support the transition to a low-carbon economy through green procurement	Ensure that decision-makers have the necessary training and awareness to support green procurement	12.7	Number and percentage of procurement and/or material management specialists who have completed the Canada School of Public Service Procurement course or equivalent.	The PMPRB has centralized procurement; there is one specialist in procurement and/or material management who has completed the Canada School of Public Service Procurement course (100%).
		Set departmental targets to reduce environmental impact of specific goods or services <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ toner cartridges and paper purchased are reused or recycled</li> </ul>	12.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 100% of toner cartridges and paper purchased are reused or recycled</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 100% recycled toner cartridges</li> <li>○ 100% recycled paper</li> </ul>

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	Demonstrate innovative technologies	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
	Promote sustainable travel practices	<p>Reduce GHG emissions from business travel</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Support alternate work arrangements such as teleworking</li> <li>● Provide remote participation options such as web conferencing for meetings whenever possible</li> </ul>	Not applicable		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● The PMPRB has four employees who telework on a permanent basis.</li> <li>● The PMPRB promotes remote participation options wherever possible. For example, our Human Drug Advisory Panel meetings, held on a quarterly basis, have only one face-to-face meeting per year.</li> </ul>
	Understand climate change impacts and build resilience	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
	Improve transparency and accountability	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable
	Develop policy for low-carbon government	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable	Not applicable

