

Patented Medicine Prices Review Board

2018–19 Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy

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1. Context for the Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy

Although the Patented Medicine Prices Review Board (PMPRB) is not bound by the [Federal Sustainable Development Act](#) and is not required to develop a full departmental sustainable development strategy, the PMPRB adheres to the principles of the FSDS by implementing the Policy on Green Procurement.

The [Policy on Green Procurement](#) supports the Government of Canada’s effort to promote environmental stewardship. In keeping with the objectives of the policy, the PMPRB supports sustainable development by integrating environmental performance considerations into the procurement decision-making process through the actions described in the “FSDS goal: low-carbon government” table in section 2, below.

2. Commitments for the PMPRB

FSDS goal: low-carbon government

FSDS target	FSDS contributing action	Corresponding departmental action(s)	Starting points where available and performance indicators for departmental actions	Programs where the departmental actions will occur
Reduce Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions from federal government buildings and fleets by 40% below 2005 levels by 2030, with an aspiration to achieve it by 2025.	Support the transition to a low-carbon economy through green procurement.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integrate environmental considerations into procurement management processes and controls 	Baseline 2017-18: 100% Target: 100% of annual purchases made through the PMPRB comply with the Policy on Green Procurement. Baseline 2017-18: 100% Target: 100% of toner cartridges and paper purchased are reused or recycled	Internal Services
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure decision makers have the necessary training and awareness to support green procurement 	Baseline 2017-18: 100% Target: 100% of procurement and/or material management decision makers have completed the required Canada School of Public Service Procurement courses or their equivalents	Internal Services

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Reduce Greenhouse Gas (GHG) emissions from federal government buildings and fleets by 40% below 2005 levels by 2030, with an aspiration to achieve it by 2025. (cont'd)	Support the transition to a low-carbon economy through green procurement.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure key officials include contribution to and support for the Government of Canada Policy on Green Procurement objectives in their performance evaluations 	Baseline 2017-18: 100% Target: 100% of key procurement officials have contribution to and support for the Government of Canada Policy on Green Procurement objectives in their performance evaluations	Internal Services

3. Integrating sustainable development

The PMPRB will continue to ensure that its decision-making process includes consideration of FSDS goals and targets.

The PMPRB is commencing implementation of Workplace 2.0 standards, renewing the physical workplace and contributing to sustainable development through a reduced carbon footprint per person. The implementation is expected to be completed in fiscal year 2019-20.

The PMPRB will continue to maximize its use of PSPC common use procurement instruments, such as standing offers and supply arrangements, and integrate environmental considerations into procurement processes.

In addition, 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 – PSPC 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.