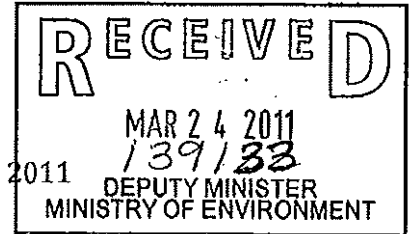


Hi Das,  
Thanks for all your  
work on this.  
Merran.

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February, 2011

Hello,

In 2006, after over a decade of campaigning by ForestEthics, Greenpeace, Sierra Club and others, and court cases and united actions by coastal First Nations, the Great Bear Rainforest Agreements were signed, protecting 5 million acres of rainforest land and shifting forest management to a new ecosystem based approach. This was followed, in 2007, by the conservation financing agreements which brought \$120 million to the coastal First Nation communities to support conservation management and economic development in the region. The links between conservation, new governance structures for First Nations, community health and economic sustainability were transformative to the way the region had been managed, and the agreements were heralded as the most comprehensive conservation agreement in North America by The Nature Conservancy, and awarded the 'Gift to the Earth' by WWF International.

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juggling (and a little procrastinating!) I finally completed the project.

Enclosed is *Place of Power: Lessons from the Great Bear Rainforest*, which is my version of what happened in the Great Bear Rainforest along with my sense of some of the key lessons from the experience. I hope these reflections are of interest and of value to you. If you have any comments or questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Enjoy!

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be "Merran Smith", written in a cursive style.

Merran Smith

## **Building Public Support for Clean Energy in British Columbia**

October 5, 2011

### **Background:**

A number of forthcoming energy policy decisions will have significant and direct implications for both the success of and support for the government's jobs strategy and its legislated climate-change commitments.

The debate following the BC Hydro review has become overly focused on electricity rates and the definition of self-sufficiency, and has largely overlooked other directly related risks and opportunities. For example, the costs of failing to avoid catastrophic climate change, which a recent report from the National Round Table on Environment and Economy estimated to be 5% to 25% of GDP, have been largely overlooked.

We urge government to bring a broader and more integrated approach to energy and climate change policy development.

The following recommendations address four key areas where we believe government can make near-term decisions about energy and climate change policy. As a package, these actions would help to:

- Create jobs within the clean energy sector across the province
- Maintain a competitive environment for new clean energy projects
- Strengthen B.C.'s reputation as a clean energy and climate change leader

Recent polling indicates that British Columbians will support this direction. Based on April 2011 research, 70% of British Columbians want the B.C. government to lead in efforts to deal with climate change, and 80% believe that doing so will have a positive or neutral impact on the economy.

#### ***4. Build demand for clean energy projects throughout the province***

*Context:* The province's Climate Action Plan was an important step in B.C.'s transition to a clean-energy economy. To maintain the province's leadership position, that plan must next focus on growing the demand for clean energy solutions. Without this focus, the province will not send the right market signals needed to trigger clean energy investments.

*Path forward:*

1. Commit to at least a further four years of carbon tax increases and ensure that the carbon tax is applied equally to all sources of greenhouse gas pollution that can be accurately measured. This will strengthen the market signal that is encouraging a shift to the efficient use of cleaner energy sources and minimize the need for government to pick winners and losers.
2. Invest new carbon tax revenues in strategic opportunities to move away from dirty energy sources, while also expanding protection for low-income families facing rising energy costs. For example, the adoption of electric vehicles will require targeted investments in charging infrastructure, and the electrification of industrial demands will require upgrades to the transmission system.

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**Attachments:** BC clean energy letter to Premier Clark April 21 Final.docx  
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**Subject:** Letter to Premier Christy Clark from BC businesses, NGOs, etc re: BC's climate leadership - with attachment

Hello,  
Attached please find a letter from over 150 business, academic and NGO leaders in the province supporting the BC government's climate leadership actions, including leadership on WCI and the carbon tax. We look forward to your response.

Have a great easter,

Merran

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April 21, 2011

Premier Christy Clark  
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Dear Premier Clark,

Thank you for the leadership and commitments you made to aggressively establish British Columbia as a leader in clean energy. We appreciated the connection you made between investments in clean energy and the ability to create jobs throughout the province.

We write to urge you to follow-through on those commitments, and give the clean energy economy a central role in your efforts to create jobs and help British Columbian families. According to the Globe Foundation, clean energy contributed \$15.3 billion to B.C.'s GDP (10.2% of the total) and 166,000 jobs (7.2% of the total) in 2008. Those numbers are significant today, and they could double in the next decade.

B.C. has already built a strong foundation to achieve higher gains. The province has been rightly applauded for the leadership it has demonstrated by spurring investment in clean energy. We have punched above our weight and helped to positively influence the Canadian, continental and global debate on how to build a clean energy economy.

This is particularly true for the implementation of B.C.'s carbon tax and being one of the leading partners in the Western Climate Initiative. Continued progress presents opportunity, and limits risk, on a number of fronts:

***We can grow the market for B.C.'s clean energy companies***

By tipping the economic scales in favour of clean energy, and helping our neighbours do the same, B.C. can help open domestic and export markets for the province's entrepreneurs. Whether it's a wind farm being built in Dawson Creek, or cutting-edge fuel cell engines and biomass gasification technologies being sold to the world, those businesses bring investment to B.C. and employ British Columbians.

***We can set the rules of the clean energy economy***

The rules are set by the people that play the game first. We know there will be constraints on carbon in the near future, so B.C. needs to be involved in setting those constraints and demonstrating their potential. Doing so puts us in the driver's seat to ensure the rules account for B.C.'s interests, which will give our economy a competitive advantage. Furthermore, just by setting the rules and participating, we give other jurisdictions the confidence to do the same. This will grow the size of the clean energy economy and increase the range and scale of opportunities available.

***We can help families get ahead in a future where energy is going to cost more***

As global oil prices rise, developing a robust clean energy sector in B.C. helps protect families by reducing their dependence on fossil fuels, and giving them real alternatives such as better public transit and neighbourhood heating systems. The same shift away from fossil fuels also benefits families by keeping energy prices lower than in other jurisdictions, providing long-term employment throughout the province, and building healthier more vibrant communities.

***We can protect B.C.'s natural beauty for our children and grand children***

If we fail to effectively build a clean energy economy, we will fail to effectively show leadership on climate change. If climate change persists, the B.C. we know and love will be dramatically different for our children and grand children. We've already seen the devastation that pine beetles can cause on our forests and the way storms can gut our parks. If the Fraser River gets much warmer, salmon won't survive. B.C. can't stop these threats on our own, but we can be a positive influence in finding local and global solutions.

We look forward to working with your government to secure the gains we have made in recent years and affirm B.C.'s position in the clean energy economy.

Sincerely,

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Hello Kiel,

I met you at the Clean Energy BC lunch last Monday. I was sitting at the table with you and Minister Lake and spoke briefly with the Minister afterwards. I'd like to follow up and set up a meeting time, ideally in the next few weeks. I'm working with a few of the ENGOS, and we've a briefing note on some ideas around maintaining BC's climate leadership. Thanks.

Merran

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## **Tides Canada Launches Fund to Support the Implementation of the Historic Atlin-Taku Land Use Agreement**

**VANCOUVER, BC - July 19, 2011** - Tides Canada is pleased to announce the creation of a new endowment fund, with a target capitalization of \$5 million, to support the implementation of the historic land use agreement signed today by the Taku River Tlingit First Nation (TRTFN) and the Province of British Columbia.

The comprehensive land use agreement for the 30,000 square kilometer TRTFN traditional territory is a combination of land use zoning, world-class management and shared decision making at a scale never achieved before in British Columbia. Its development spans nearly a decade and covers 4.5 million acres in BC of the ecologically intact and culturally critical Taku River watershed.

"This is an historic agreement between the Taku River Tlingit First Nation and the BC Government and both parties are to be congratulated," said Ross McMillan, President and CEO of Tides Canada. "The Tlatsini Endowment Fund at Tides Canada is being launched to help ensure that the implementation of the land use plan and newly created government-to-government shared decision-making arrangements are fully resourced to create the best social, environmental and economic outcomes for the region."

The Taku is among North America's largest wild salmon-producing rivers and it boasts extraordinary biodiversity, making it a premier continental conservation opportunity. The TRTFN has profound cultural connections to the Taku and before this agreement almost none of the watershed was protected. Now about 26% of the watershed has been fully protected while providing opportunities for high-bar salmon protection and economic development ventures.

The Tlatsini Endowment Fund will provide resources for the implementation of the plan. The fund is being established with initial funding from four partner foundations (The Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation, Wilburforce Foundation, Swift Foundation and Campion Foundation). An advisory committee led by a representative of the T'akhu Á Tlèn Conservancy will advise Tides Canada on how best to deploy the funds to support the TRTFN in delivering the promise of the Atlin-Taku land use plan and build their capacity to steward the region.

### **About Tides Canada**

Tides Canada is the country's largest public foundation dedicated to the environment and social justice. Every year, we support, convene or directly fund hundreds of initiatives, from neighbourhood-scale social programs to national conservation efforts. In addition, having pioneered a shared governance and administrative platform to support initiatives and collaborations that advance our mission, our operating charity is home to 40 of Canada's leading social change projects. Visit [www.tidescanada.org](http://www.tidescanada.org)

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