

## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 2, 2018 5:01 PM  
**To:** Tim GCPE:EX Howlett (Tim.Howlett@gov.bc.ca)  
**Subject:** info for Q&A  
**Attachments:** 2018.12.02 ZEV Q&S draft.docx

Hey Tim – here are the 2 additional questions we talked about on Friday for the PO's Q&A.

Let me know if you have any questions, and feel free to revise as needed.

Thanks,

Leila Farmer  
Issues Manager  
250-208-9547

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 3, 2018 10:28 AM  
**To:** David GCPE:EX Haslam (David.Haslam@gov.bc.ca); Darren GCPE:EX Beaupre (Darren.Beaupre@gov.bc.ca); Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX; Andrews, Scott EMPR:EX  
**Subject:** PJH issue scan

Hi all,

The Premier is doing some year end interviews tomorrow (CBC, StarMetro and OMNI), so I am wondering if you could send me any topics that may come up from an EMPR by 130pm today?

Thanks very much,

Leila Farmer  
Issues Manager  
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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
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**To:** David GCPE:EX Crebo (David.Crebo@gov.bc.ca); Cotton, Brian GCPE:EX; Caelie ENV:EX Frampton (Caelie.Frampton@gov.bc.ca); Eveline ENV:EX Xia (Eveline.Xia@gov.bc.ca)  
**Subject:** PJH issue scan

Hi all,

The Premier is doing some year end interviews tomorrow (CBC, StarMetro and OMNI), so I am wondering if you could send me any topics that could come up from an Environment and Climate Change perspective by 130pm today?

Thanks very much,

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 3, 2018 11:17 AM  
**To:** Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX; Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX  
**Subject:** RE: PJH issue scan

Sounds good – thanks!

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**From:** Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX  
**Sent:** December 3, 2018 11:17 AM  
**To:** Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX <Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca>; Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: PJH issue scan

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**Rob Gillezeau**  
Senior Ministerial Assistant  
Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier  
250-413-7048

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**From:** Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX  
**Sent:** December 3, 2018 11:13 AM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <[Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca)>; Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX <[Rob.Gillezeau@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Rob.Gillezeau@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: PJH issue scan

I have nothing new since last week.

Looks like OMNI has reported the Foreign Buyers Tax a few times, but nothing recent.

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 3, 2018 10:49 AM  
**To:** Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX <[Rob.Gillezeau@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Rob.Gillezeau@gov.bc.ca)>; Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX <[Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: PJH issue scan

Yes, any topics that are new from last week. Or something specific that he could be asked at OMNI. Thanks.

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**From:** Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX  
**Sent:** December 3, 2018 10:48 AM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <[Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca)>; Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX <[Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** RE: PJH issue scan

Just looking for new ones that we haven't previously sent in?

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

**Sent:** December 3, 2018 10:35 AM

**To:** Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX <[Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca)>; Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX <[Rob.Gillezeau@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Rob.Gillezeau@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** PJH issue scan

Hi Robyn and Rob,

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Thanks very much,

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 3, 2018 12:43 PM  
**To:** Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX; Plank, Sarah GCPE:EX; Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: PJH issue scan

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**From:** Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX  
**Sent:** December 3, 2018 10:47 AM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>; Plank, Sarah GCPE:EX <Sarah.Plank@gov.bc.ca>; Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX <Jonathan.Sas@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: PJH issue scan

Ok we will get something to you , sarah did you want to connect with us on this, or start a list : )

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** Monday, December 3, 2018 10:33 AM  
**To:** Plank, Sarah GCPE:EX <[Sarah.Plank@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Sarah.Plank@gov.bc.ca)>; Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX <[Jonathan.Sas@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Jonathan.Sas@gov.bc.ca)>; Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX <[AnneMarie.Sam@gov.bc.ca](mailto:AnneMarie.Sam@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** PJH issue scan

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 3, 2018 2:00 PM  
**To:** Lloyd, Evan GCPE:EX  
**Subject:** Accepted: FW: Technical Breifing - Dry Run

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 3, 2018 2:07 PM  
**To:** Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX; Howlett, Tim GCPE:EX  
**Subject:** RE: FIN Media Request: Legislature Financials

Ok - we're both free now.

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**From:** Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX  
**Sent:** December 3, 2018 2:01 PM  
**To:** Howlett, Tim GCPE:EX <Tim.Howlett@gov.bc.ca>; Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** Fwd: FIN Media Request: Legislature Financials

To discuss. we will stop down soon if either of you are free.

Sent from my Samsung Galaxy smartphone.

----- Original message -----

**From:** "Peters, Melissa GCPE:EX" <Melissa.Peters@gov.bc.ca>  
**Date:** 2018-12-03 1:43 PM (GMT-08:00)  
**To:** "Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX" <Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca>, "Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX" <Rob.Gillezeau@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** "Henry, Molly FIN:EX" <Molly.Henry@gov.bc.ca>, "Gee, Susan GCPE:EX" <Susan.Gee@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** FIN Media Request: Legislature Financials

See the suggested response. DM approved.

### Reporter

Rob Shaw, Reporter  
Vancouver Sun  
[rshaw@postmedia.com](mailto:rshaw@postmedia.com)  
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### Deadline ASAP

### Request

Spoke to the auditor general after the StarMetro story today and she reiterated she won't sign off on the legislature's finances until she understands what the allegations are and if they are financial. She also said she may not sign off on the next public accounts until she knows either.

I'm wondering what the finance ministry's response is to this.

### Background

Article mentioned: <https://www.thestar.com/vancouver/2018/11/30/bc-auditor-general-wont-sign-off-on-legislatures-financials-amid-intrigue.html>



**Recommendation** – on background

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 3, 2018 4:32 PM  
**To:** Lesiuk, Tim ENV:EX  
**Subject:** Debrief tomorrow

Hi Tim,

Hope your day and the technical briefings have been going well.

I'm hoping there is a time that's convenient for you to debrief with me, Rosa, Mira and Tim H sometime tomorrow on how today went.

Let me know when works for you and I'll set it up.

Thanks,

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 3, 2018 5:10 PM  
**To:** Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX  
**Subject:** RE: agenda for Friday?

Thanks!

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**From:** Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX  
**Sent:** December 3, 2018 5:04 PM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: agenda for Friday?

Here you go!

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**To:** Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX <[Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** agenda for Friday?

Hi Robyn – can you send me the agenda for the Friday event MCJ is participating in with the Economic Forecast Council?

Thanks ,

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**Subject:** Stakeholder debrief  
**Location:** Conference call (details TBC)

**Start:** Tue 2018-12-04 9:30 AM  
**End:** Tue 2018-12-04 10:00 AM  
**Show Time As:** Tentative

**Recurrence:** (none)

**Meeting Status:** Not yet responded

**Organizer:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Required Attendees:** Lesiuk, Tim ENV:EX; Tim GCPE:EX Howlett (Tim.Howlett@gov.bc.ca); Rosa GCPE:EX Kouri (Rosa.Kouri@gov.bc.ca); Caelie ENV:EX Frampton (Caelie.Frampton@gov.bc.ca); Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX; Mira PREM:EX Oreck (Mira.Oreck@gov.bc.ca); Kingston, Charlotte PREM:EX; Geary, Vanessa PREM:EX; Bain, Don PREM:EX

Hi all,

As discussed with many of you on Friday, I'm setting up a time for us to debrief from the stakeholder briefings.

For folks who attended the technical briefings today, we're hoping you can provide an overview of the key points of discussion and what will be important to build into our materials for Wednesday.

Hoping this time works for most – recognizing that tomorrow will be a busy day for everyone.

Conference line to follow.

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Leila

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Conference line as follows:

**Conference #:** s.15,s.17

**Participant #:**

Issues Management team to moderate

Thanks,  
Leila

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 4, 2018 9:01 AM  
**To:** MINCAL, ENV ENV:EX  
**Subject:** Accepted: Media prep with Crebo

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 4, 2018 10:07 AM  
**To:** Robyn FIN:EX Spilker (Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca); Rob FIN:EX Gillezeau (Rob.Gillezeau@gov.bc.ca); Tim GCPE:EX Howlett (Tim.Howlett@gov.bc.ca)  
**Subject:** FW: MEDIA ADVISORY – Office of the Auditor General of British Columbia - teleconference  
**Attachments:** 2018-141 IN - OAG Asset Management Audit report.docx

Latest update from EMPR.

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**From:** Haslam, David GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 4, 2018 9:39 AM  
**To:** Zadravec, Don GCPE:EX <Don.Zadravec@gov.bc.ca>; Howlett, Tim GCPE:EX <Tim.Howlett@gov.bc.ca>; Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
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**Subject:** RE: MEDIA ADVISORY – Office of the Auditor General of British Columbia - teleconference

Including Sue Gee.

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**From:** Haslam, David GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 4, 2018 9:38 AM  
**To:** Zadravec, Don GCPE:EX <Don.Zadravec@gov.bc.ca>; Howlett, Tim GCPE:EX <Tim.Howlett@gov.bc.ca>; Leila GCPE:EX Farmer (Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca) <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
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**Subject:** RE: MEDIA ADVISORY – Office of the Auditor General of British Columbia - teleconference

Apologies. Mix up on my part – It's about BCH's asset management – not regulatory accts. It's not a problem. BCH IN attached. Sorry for the confusion.

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**From:** Haslam, David GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 4, 2018 9:27 AM  
**To:** Zadravec, Don GCPE:EX <Don.Zadravec@gov.bc.ca>; Howlett, Tim GCPE:EX <Tim.Howlett@gov.bc.ca>; Leila GCPE:EX Farmer (Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca) <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
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**Subject:** FW: MEDIA ADVISORY – Office of the Auditor General of British Columbia - teleconference

All – below is about the auditor's continue concern with BC Hydro's regulatory accounts – which we share and is being addressed by the BC Hydro review. We're working with program staff on messaging.

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**From:** [noreply.newsondemand@gov.bc.ca](mailto:noreply.newsondemand@gov.bc.ca) <[noreply.newsondemand@gov.bc.ca](mailto:noreply.newsondemand@gov.bc.ca)>

**Sent:** December 4, 2018 7:51 AM

**To:** GCPE Minis <[GCPEMINIS@gov.bc.ca](mailto:GCPEMINIS@gov.bc.ca)>

**Subject:** MEDIA ADVISORY – Office of the Auditor General of British Columbia - teleconference

For Immediate Release

Dec. 4, 2018

Office of the Auditor General of British Columbia

MEDIA ADVISORY

VICTORIA - Carol Bellringer, auditor general, will release her latest report, Independent Audit of Capital Asset Management in BC Hydro, on Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2018.

The report will be available on the office's website. Bellringer will hold a news conference via conference call.

There will be an opportunity for questions after Bellringer speaks briefly.

News conference date: Wednesday, Dec. 5, 2018

Time: noon (Pacific time)

Dial-in information:

From Vancouver: s.15,s.17

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Participant Pass Code: s.15,s.

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 4, 2018 10:12 AM  
**To:** Talbot, Sarena GCPE:EX  
**Subject:** FW: Materials  
**Attachments:** NR\_Q2\_FINAL.PDF; QA\_Q2\_FINAL.DOCX; 1 Q2 Report Presentation Final.pptx

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**From:** Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX  
**Sent:** November 26, 2018 8:43 AM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX <Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** Materials

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**Rob Gillezeau**

Senior Ministerial Assistant

Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 4, 2018 1:02 PM  
**To:** Finn, Heather GCPE:EX  
**Subject:** Accepted: Budget 2019

## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 4, 2018 3:54 PM  
**To:** Peters, Melissa GCPE:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Accomplishments Messaging?

Hi Melissa – sorry for my late reply. Glad you found what you were looking for!

-Leila

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**From:** Peters, Melissa GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 4, 2018 3:50 PM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: Accomplishments Messaging?

Leila – I found this. Please disregard.

Melissa Peters  
Ministry of Finance  
250 356-5698

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**From:** Peters, Melissa GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 4, 2018 11:26 AM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <[Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** Accomplishments Messaging?

Leila,

Sorry if this is a shot in the dark, but my new CD mentioned that there may be an accomplishments sheet of messaging for gov and/or our ministry – can you share with me? Also, I feel like this may be in the process of being updated, so please advise if there is a new one coming.

Give me a call if that's easier. Appreciate the help.

Melissa Peters  
A/Communications Manager  
Ministry of Finance  
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**Sent:** December 4, 2018 4:00 PM  
**To:** Karemaker, Kent GCPE:EX; Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX  
**Cc:** Beaupre, Darren GCPE:EX; Haslam, David GCPE:EX; Smith, Paula GCPE:EX; Andrews, Scott EMPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: FOR REVIEW: MEDIA REQUEST: Kingburne Follow-up

Hi all – can we send the response with the below revision:

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- This location had previously been undertaking some excavation on the property related to agricultural activities which would not constitute mining activities, however those activities have changed over time and this ministry began to take the appropriate steps to regulate it.

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- The Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources will remain attentive to this operation and ensure the appropriate permits are in place and regulations are followed. That could still entail oversight by other ministries.

Thanks,  
Leila

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**From:** Karemaker, Kent GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 4, 2018 3:50 PM  
**To:** Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX <Melissa.Sanderson@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** Beaupre, Darren GCPE:EX <Darren.Beaupre@gov.bc.ca>; Haslam, David GCPE:EX <David.Haslam@gov.bc.ca>; Smith, Paula GCPE:EX <Paula.Smith@gov.bc.ca>; Andrews, Scott EMPR:EX <Scott.Andrews@gov.bc.ca>; Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: FOR REVIEW: MEDIA REQUEST: Kingburne Follow-up

Holding..

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**From:** Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 4, 2018 3:50 PM  
**To:** Karemaker, Kent GCPE:EX  
**Cc:** Beaupre, Darren GCPE:EX; Haslam, David GCPE:EX; Smith, Paula GCPE:EX; Andrews, Scott EMPR:EX; Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Subject:** Re: FOR REVIEW: MEDIA REQUEST: Kingburne Follow-up

Hold please ignore last approval

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 4, 2018, at 3:28 PM, Karemaker, Kent GCPE:EX <[Kent.Karemaker@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Kent.Karemaker@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hi Melissa,

Media request for review. Peter Robb has approved. Responses come from an IN we have on this. Including Leila.

Kent.

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**Reporter:** Andrew MacLeod, The Tyee

**Deadline:** ASAP

**Request:** I was hoping to follow up on the Kingburne issue that got raised in the legislature last Monday. Is there anything more to say on it than what the minister said in the house?

I'll paste the transcript of that below ... I've been working on something on this for awhile and had mostly been focused on the Agricultural Land Commission side of it, but realize I should be asking you at mines as well.

<https://www.leg.bc.ca/documents-data/debate-transcripts/41st-parliament/3rd-session/20181126pm-House-Blues>

**Transcript:**

S. Furstenau: In 2008, GT Farms began digging a hole on their property in Kingburn, near Shawnigan Lake. [1415]

Nearby residents began to express concern as the hole steadily increased in size, ultimately looking like a whole lot like a quarry. However, Ministry of Mines and Ministry of Agriculture agreed that this was not a quarry; it was "an irrigation pond." And yet, like a quarry, rock was being removed by dump trucks travelling down a narrow road through this residential neighbourhood.

When the residents raised concerns in 2009, they were informed by Ministry of Mines that the property had no permits in place for mining or quarrying and issued a cease-and-desist order, which was soon rescinded, and the activity continued.

Here we are, ten years later, and the hole on this property very much appears to be a quarry, a quarry that has operated without a permit for over a decade. What is the Ministry of Energy and Mines' solution to this? Give the landowner an opportunity to apply for a permit ten years after he has apparently begun quarrying.

My question is for the Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources. Does she think it's appropriate for her ministry to reward rule-breaking by issuing permits after quarrying has taken place on a property without permits for years on end?

Hon. M. Mungall: Thank you to the member for the question and for raising this issue, which is important to her constituents. As she pointed out, in 2009, the government of the day determined that the activities of the site were for agricultural purposes.

Then, in 2016, as the operations had expanded, the government — again, of the day — took another look and concluded that yes, a Mines Act permit was required. In 2017, the company sent in their application for the proper permit. We received that on June 10, 2017. We asked the committee to revise that application, and we received the revised application on March 9, 2018.

Since then, we have been working to ensure that the public is involved and that they have their opportunity to comment. We've referred the issue to other agencies, as well as First Nations, for consultation, and that consultation is ongoing. We will make sure, as we must do, that the appropriate permits are in place and regulations are, indeed, followed.

Mr. Speaker: The House Leader, Third Party, on a supplemental.

S. Furstenau: I'm concerned that the message that this sends is that rules don't actually matter. If you break them, we will fix them for you.

Local residents have identified several serious shortfalls with the permit application, including: stating that the project started "with approval;" claiming that the project is not within a community watershed, which it is; and submitting inaccurate hand-drawn maps.

Residents have also raised concerns about lack of public consultation and have serious and ongoing concerns about the safety and reliability of their drinking water, which is drawn from an aquifer they worry is being impacted by these quarrying activities.

My question is again to the Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources. Can she commit to addressing the serious concerns raised by the residents of the Kingburn area and commit to a public meeting as part of the permitting process for this application?

Hon. M. Mungall: It is a statutory decision-maker who oversees this process. That individual has assured myself that he's committed to working with all partners and taking public feedback into account as he works through the process on this permit.

I want to make sure that the member knows that we are committed to making sure that she and her staff are fully informed and are fully kept up to date so that she can continue advocating for her constituents on this issue.

**Suggested Response:**

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 6, 2018 11:28 AM  
**To:** Plank, Sarah GCPE:EX; Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Issue scan for 130pm

Sounds good – thanks Sarah.

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**From:** Plank, Sarah GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 6, 2018 11:26 AM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>; Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX <Jonathan.Sas@gov.bc.ca>; Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX <AnneMarie.Sam@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: Issue scan for 130pm

s.13                      Other than that, I don't think we have anything of interest on the national scale.

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 6, 2018 11:25 AM  
**To:** Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX; Plank, Sarah GCPE:EX  
**Subject:** Issue scan for 130pm

Hi all,

The Premier is doing national media tomorrow in Montreal around the first ministers' meeting.

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If so, can you please send to me before 130pm?

Thanks,

Leila Farmer  
Issues Manager  
250-208-9547

## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 6, 2018 12:21 PM  
**To:** Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX; Karemaker, Kent GCPE:EX  
**Cc:** Grewar, Colin GCPE:EX; Haslam, David GCPE:EX; Andrews, Scott EMPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: FOR REVIEW: MEDIA REQUEST: Peace River Electrification

None from me. Thanks all.

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**From:** Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX  
**Sent:** December 6, 2018 12:17 PM  
**To:** Karemaker, Kent GCPE:EX <Kent.Karemaker@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** Grewar, Colin GCPE:EX <Colin.Grewar@gov.bc.ca>; Haslam, David GCPE:EX <David.Haslam@gov.bc.ca>; Andrews, Scott EMPR:EX <Scott.Andrews@gov.bc.ca>; Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** Re: FOR REVIEW: MEDIA REQUEST: Peace River Electrification

I'm good w this - Leila any concerns?

Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 6, 2018, at 11:05 AM, Karemaker, Kent GCPE:EX <[Kent.Karemaker@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Kent.Karemaker@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Hello Melissa,

We have the media request below for review. Les MacLaren has approved. Including Leila.

Kent.

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**Reporter:** James Munson, Bloomberg Environment

**Deadline:** ASAP

**Request:** I'm looking for a bit more detail on the Peace region electrification plan.  
Will the government ask the natural gas industry to contribute to the construction of these new transmission lines and infrastructure investments?  
Will it all be built with public money?  
Will natural gas processing facilities give given lower electricity rates?  
If there's someone I could speak to in person on this, that would be great. Otherwise, let me know if I could get a response shortly.

**Suggested Response:**

*GCPE to respond on background.*

**Will the government ask the natural gas industry to contribute to the construction of these new transmission lines and infrastructure investments?**

No. However, as is the case for other industrial customers, natural gas facilities will be required to contribute the full cost of connecting to the BC Hydro system and transmission upgrades required to serve their facilities, as set out in electricity supply and load interconnection agreements with BC Hydro.

**Will it all be built with public money?**

Yes. The PRES project is included in BC Hydro's current capital plan. The Province has requested funding support for the project from the Green Infrastructure funding stream of the federal government's Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program.

**Will natural gas processing facilities give given lower electricity rates?**

Electricity costs for natural gas processing facilities will be the standard general industrial rate paid by other major power customers.

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## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**Sent:** December 6, 2018 12:30 PM  
**To:** Karemaker, Kent GCPE:EX; Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX  
**Cc:** Haslam, David GCPE:EX; Plummer, Glen GCPE:EX; Andrews, Scott EMPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: FOR REVIEW: MEDIA REQUEST: Orphan Wells

Looks good to send along to AGRI. Thanks.

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**From:** Karemaker, Kent GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 6, 2018 12:28 PM  
**To:** Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX <Melissa.Sanderson@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** Haslam, David GCPE:EX <David.Haslam@gov.bc.ca>; Plummer, Glen GCPE:EX <Glen.Plummer@gov.bc.ca>; Andrews, Scott EMPR:EX <Scott.Andrews@gov.bc.ca>; Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
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**Reporter:** Wendy Stueck, Globe and Mail - BC Bureau

**Deadline:** Thursday, December 6, 2018 2:00 PM

**Request:** A couple of weeks back, when I was looking into Richmond ALR land and Bill

52 (that story hasn't run yet, but still in works) – I was reading the interim report to the minister and wanted to learn more about wells on ALR land.

I sent an inquiry to the OGC and received the note below.

As you can see – nearly half of the orphan wells identified by the OGC are within the ALR.

The interim report (page 23) – covers off reasons why oil and gas is such a significant concern.

Would Minister Popham be available to chat specifically about these issues, and what, if anything, the government might do about them?

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### **Suggested Response:**

*GCPE to provide a statement attributable to Agriculture Minister Lana Popham:*

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 6, 2018 12:32 PM  
**To:** Sarah GCPE:EX Marriott (Sarah.Marriott@gov.bc.ca)  
**Subject:** FW: FOR REVIEW: MEDIA REQUEST: Orphan Wells

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## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 6, 2018 12:35 PM  
**To:** Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX; Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Issue scan for 130pm

Ok thanks you two!

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**From:** Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX  
**Sent:** December 6, 2018 12:29 PM  
**To:** Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX <Rob.Gillezeau@gov.bc.ca>; Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: Issue scan for 130pm

Nothing to add – Rob’s covered it.

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**From:** Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX  
**Sent:** December 6, 2018 12:08 PM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>; Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX <Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: Issue scan for 130pm

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**Rob Gillezeau**  
Senior Ministerial Assistant  
Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier  
250-413-7048

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 6, 2018 11:26 AM  
**To:** Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX <Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca>; Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX <Rob.Gillezeau@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** Issue scan for 130pm

Hi Robyn and Rob,

The Premier is doing national media tomorrow in Montreal around the first ministers’ meeting.

We’re working on a scan with an emphasis on fed-prov / national media / big topics. Anything to flag on your end?

If so, can you please send to me before 130pm?

Thanks,

Leila Farmer  
Issues Manager  
250-208-9547

## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 7, 2018 1:51 PM  
**To:** Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX; Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Letter to Blueberry River re Adjournment Agreement

I'm free after 215.

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**From:** Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX  
**Sent:** December 7, 2018 1:49 PM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>; McLaren, Kenn FLNR:EX <Kenn.McLaren@gov.bc.ca>; Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX <Melissa.Sanderson@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** FW: Letter to Blueberry River re Adjournment Agreement

Hey Kenn, Leila, Melissa,  
Hoping we can find 15 minutes for me to update you on the attached this aft or on Monday?

Thanks,

**Jonathan Sas** | Senior Ministerial Assistant | Ministry of Indigenous Relations and Reconciliation | 778 587 4376

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**From:** McCarthy, Tom IRR:EX  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 6, 2018 2:35 PM  
**To:** Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Caul, Doug D IRR:EX  
**Cc:** Balcaen, Trish L IRR:EX  
**Subject:** Letter to Blueberry River re Adjournment Agreement

Jonathan, Doug –

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Let me know if any comments or if you wish to discuss. Doug, as discussed, you may want to run this by PO.

Regards  
Tom

## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 6, 2018 2:21 PM  
**To:** Finn, Heather GCPE:EX  
**Subject:** Accepted: Budget 2019 Comms Working Group

## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 7, 2018 4:19 PM  
**To:** Aileen GCPE:EX Machell (Aileen.Machell@gov.bc.ca)  
**Subject:** release

<http://www.bcchamber.org/advocacy-news/bc-chamber-calls-introduction-ride-hailing-legislation-%E2%80%9Cstep-right-direction%E2%80%9D>

Leila Farmer  
Issues Manager  
250-208-9547

## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 7, 2018 3:48 PM  
**To:** Plummer, Glen GCPE:EX; Haslam, David GCPE:EX  
**Cc:** Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX; Andrews, Scott EMPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: IN?

Thanks!

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**From:** Plummer, Glen GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 7, 2018 3:10 PM  
**To:** Haslam, David GCPE:EX <David.Haslam@gov.bc.ca>; Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX <Melissa.Sanderson@gov.bc.ca>; Andrews, Scott EMPR:EX <Scott.Andrews@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: IN?

Hi Leila,

Our updated IN is just with the OGC for review. I hope to have it approved shortly.

Thanks,

Glen

**Glen Plummer**  
**Senior Communications Officer**  
**Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources**  
**250 952-0559 office**  
**250 213-5667 cell**

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**From:** Haslam, David GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** Friday, December 7, 2018 2:58 PM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Cc:** Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX; Andrews, Scott EMPR:EX; Plummer, Glen GCPE:EX  
**Subject:** RE: IN?

Glen – can you share the latest as well as the messaging we discussed. Thx

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 7, 2018 2:48 PM  
**To:** Haslam, David GCPE:EX <David.Haslam@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX <Melissa.Sanderson@gov.bc.ca>; Andrews, Scott EMPR:EX <Scott.Andrews@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** IN?

Hey David – can you send me the most up to date IN on the Fort St John earthquake? The latest version I have is from Nov 30.



I noticed the OGC published an IB on the website today about their investigation:  
<https://www.bcogc.ca/node/15221/download>

Thanks,

Leila Farmer  
Issues Manager  
250-208-9547

## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 10, 2018 10:10 AM  
**To:** Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX  
**Cc:** Andrews, Scott EMPR:EX  
**Subject:** FW: FOR REVIEW: MEDIA REQUEST: Minister Mungall interview (Global Business Reports)

Hey Melissa – I think this looks good. s.13  
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Let me know what you think.

Thanks,  
Leila

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**From:** Karemaker, Kent GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 10, 2018 8:54 AM  
**To:** Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX <Melissa.Sanderson@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** Andrews, Scott EMPR:EX <Scott.Andrews@gov.bc.ca>; Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>; Haslam, David GCPE:EX <David.Haslam@gov.bc.ca>; Smith, Paula GCPE:EX <Paula.Smith@gov.bc.ca>; Grewar, Colin GCPE:EX <Colin.Grewar@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** FOR REVIEW: MEDIA REQUEST: Minister Mungall interview (Global Business Reports)

Good morning Melissa,

Media request for review. The reporter ended up sending in written questions to be answered (we had an open request from them to interview MMM). Both Les MacLaren and Peter Robb have reviewed and approved. Deadline for this is end of day. Including Leila.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Kent.

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**Reporter:** Sofia Messina, Global Business Reports  
**Deadline:** Monday, December 10, 2018 12:00 PM  
**Request:** I am a colleague of Laura Brangwin from Global Business Reports. We both work for a business intelligence firm specialized in the creation of in-depth country reports on industries such as mining, oil & gas, and energy. As you may remember you have been in touch with Laura to schedule an interview with Minister Michelle Mungall that appeared on the 2017 edition of our BC Mining Report. From the beginning of November we will be in Vancouver creating a new report on the mining industry in British Columbia in partnership with the Engineering and Mining Journal. For the report we source the information directly from CEOs and Presidents of companies across the whole value chain (exploration, production, service providers, government, legal firms, tech, etc). Our aim is to attract further investment

into the sector, as well as provide an extensive overview of the state of the industry. Our readers are mostly C-level executives and financial investors.

We would like to have an update from the Minister regarding the outlook of the industry in BC at the moment. Her contribution to our report has been very valuable last time and we would really appreciate having her insights again. Would it be possible to arrange an interview with her during the first or second week of November? We usually prefer to conduct interviews face-to-face in person since this is one of the distinctive features of our research and the reason why our HQ sends a team on the field for every project. Should this option be available, we would really appreciate your collaboration in arranging a meeting starting from the 1<sup>st</sup> of November. The meeting would last no more than 40 minutes.

**Suggested Response:**

*GCPE to provide the following attributable to Minister Michelle Mungall:*

**Could you provide some highlights and latest developments within the mining sector in B.C., as well as measures taken by the Ministry to support the growth of the sector in 2018?**

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**A strengthened relationship between the energy and mining industries is erupting. Could you describe the ways in which both sectors are supporting each other's development?**

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**What measures have been taken in lowering electricity costs, and could you describe the future of hydroelectric vs. nuclear power in the mining sector for B.C.?**

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**What key priorities is the Ministry focusing on to strengthen the reconciliation era with First Nation communities in B.C.?**

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**A shortage of skilled labour in B.C. is experienced, with companies raising concerns about talent choosing to work abroad. Are there any plans in place to further develop and retain new talent in the province?**

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**Which will be the main challenges faced by the industry over the next five years?**

We expect the B.C. Mining Jobs Task Force to recommend proactive actions to address competitiveness challenges, while maintaining and improve upon strengths to increase B.C.'s global competitiveness and grow our mining sector.

The Task Force mandate is to work with the mining industry, workers and mining communities to make jobs secure and mines viable as commodity prices fluctuate.

**Which are your key objectives and direction for the mining sector in 2019?**

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## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 10, 2018 4:28 PM  
**To:** Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX  
**Cc:** Andrews, Scott EMPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: FOR REVIEW: MEDIA REQUEST: Fortis Gas Price Hike (CBC News)

I think that works. Sequenced like this?

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**From:** Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX  
**Sent:** December 10, 2018 4:25 PM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** Andrews, Scott EMPR:EX <Scott.Andrews@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** Re: FOR REVIEW: MEDIA REQUEST: Fortis Gas Price Hike (CBC News)

I like this but wonder if we should include this bullet:  
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Sent from my iPhone

On Dec 10, 2018, at 4:23 PM, Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <[Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca)> wrote:

Suggested revisions:

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-Leila

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**From:** Karemaker, Kent GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 10, 2018 4:00 PM  
**To:** Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX <[Melissa.Sanderson@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Melissa.Sanderson@gov.bc.ca)>  
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**Subject:** FOR REVIEW: MEDIA REQUEST: Fortis Gas Price Hike (CBC News)

Hey Scott/Melissa,

Media request for review. Same response to be provided here as to CHEK. Les MacLaren had approved these bullets. CBC is hoping for a response for the 6pm news. Including Leila.

Kent.

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**Reporter:** Lien Yeung, CBC - Vancouver

**Deadline:** ASAP

**Request:** We're doing a story today about the Fortis BC natural gas price increase due to the pipeline rupture in Prince George. Hoping to get a response from Minister Mungall about it. Some questions below.

Does the Minister think British Columbians should be footing the bill for the after effects from the explosion?

Is the Minister speaking to Fortis about how they are bearing some of the brunt of this?

To date, Fortis BC still has not been able to explain what happened, British Columbians are feeling nervous about safety and pricing volatility, what is the government doing about this situation so citizens aren't in the dark?

**Suggested Response:**

*GCPE to provide the following statement attributable to the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources:*

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## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 10, 2018 4:46 PM  
**To:** Kouri, Rosa GCPE:EX  
**Subject:** Accepted: Debrief

## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 10, 2018 9:24 PM  
**To:** Finn, Heather GCPE:EX  
**Subject:** Accepted: Budget 2019 Comms Working Group

## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 11, 2018 10:42 AM  
**To:** Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX  
**Subject:** Accepted: Meeting with Darwin

## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 11, 2018 11:11 AM  
**To:** Haslam, David GCPE:EX  
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Hey David,

The Premier is doing a round of year end interviews with province wide media tomorrow. Can you please flag any issues that could come up by 130pm today? As of now, am thinking to include FortisBC rates and CleanBC.

Many thanks,

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## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**Sent:** December 11, 2018 12:40 PM  
**To:** Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX; Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX  
**Subject:** RE: for your review

Thanks for the feedback. I'll pull the two topics apart and pass the feedback along to Tim, who will be briefing PJH.

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**Sent:** December 11, 2018 12:30 PM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>; Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX <Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca>  
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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 11, 2018 12:25 PM  
**To:** Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX <[Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca)>; Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX <[Rob.Gillezeau@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Rob.Gillezeau@gov.bc.ca)>  
**Subject:** for your review

Hello again – find attached a doc for your review. If you could get back to me with feedback by 130pm that would be great.

Thanks,

Leila Farmer  
Issues Manager  
250-208-9547

## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 11, 2018 2:09 PM  
**To:** Plank, Sarah GCPE:EX  
**Cc:** Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: PJH issue scan for 130pm

Thanks!

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-Leila

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**From:** Plank, Sarah GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 11, 2018 1:13 PM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX <Jonathan.Sas@gov.bc.ca>; Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX <AnneMarie.Sam@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: PJH issue scan for 130pm

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You have messaging on all of those already, right?

Hope that's helpful. Please let me know if you need any support on any of this.

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 11, 2018 11:08 AM  
**To:** Plank, Sarah GCPE:EX  
**Cc:** Sas, Jonathan IRR:EX; Sam, Anne-Marie IRR:EX  
**Subject:** PJH issue scan for 130pm

Hi Sarah,

The Premier is doing a round of year end interviews with province wide media tomorrow. Can you please flag any issues that could come up by 130pm today? As of now, am thinking to include the CGL injunction hearing.

Many thanks,

Leila Farmer  
Issues Manager  
250-208-9547

## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 11, 2018 2:16 PM  
**To:** Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX; Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX  
**Subject:** RE: for your review  
**Attachments:** 2018.12.11 for FIN review.docx

Thanks for the feedback. I've pulled the 2 topics apart.

I've left the messaging for EHT-MSP as is, and have passed your suggestions to Tim, who will be briefing PJH before the media calls.

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If you have any changes, let me know.

Thanks,  
Leila

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**From:** Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX  
**Sent:** December 11, 2018 12:30 PM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>; Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX <Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: for your review

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**Rob Gillezeau**  
Senior Ministerial Assistant  
Minister of Finance and Deputy Premier  
250-413-7048

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 11, 2018 12:25 PM  
**To:** Spilker, Robyn FIN:EX <[Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Robyn.Spilker@gov.bc.ca)>; Gillezeau, Rob FIN:EX <[Rob.Gillezeau@gov.bc.ca](mailto:Rob.Gillezeau@gov.bc.ca)>  
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Thanks,

Leila Farmer  
Issues Manager  
250-208-9547



## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 11, 2018 4:30 PM  
**To:** Crebo, David GCPE:EX  
**Cc:** Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX; Xia, Eveline ENV:EX  
**Subject:** RE: PJH issue scan for 2pm

Ok – no worries.

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**From:** Crebo, David GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 11, 2018 4:08 PM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX <Caelie.Frampton@gov.bc.ca>; Xia, Eveline ENV:EX <Eveline.Xia@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** RE: PJH issue scan for 2pm

Sh\*\* sorry, Leila, I missed this. But those are the two issues I would have flagged anyway.

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** Tuesday, December 11, 2018 11:07 AM  
**To:** Crebo, David GCPE:EX  
**Cc:** Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX; Xia, Eveline ENV:EX  
**Subject:** PJH issue scan for 2pm

Hey Dave,

The Premier is doing a round of year end interviews with province wide media tomorrow. Can you please flag any issues that could come up by 130pm today? As of now, am thinking to include TMX and CleanBC.

Many thanks,

Leila Farmer  
Issues Manager  
250-208-9547

## **Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX**

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 12, 2018 3:46 PM  
**To:** Tim GCPE:EX Howlett (Tim.Howlett@gov.bc.ca)  
**Subject:** Supplemental

### **Vancouver City Council Motion on School Tax**

#### Background:

- On December 12, Vancouver city council voted 7-3 on a motion that calls on the provincial government to withdraw the school tax on homes over \$3 million. The motion also requires Mayor Stewart to write a letter to provincial government, leader of the opposition and leader of the third party outlining the city's request.
- The motion was brought forward by NPA Councillor Bligh. It was supported by the other NPA councillors and Green Party councillors. Mayor Kennedy Stewart and Councillors Swanson and Boyle voted against it.

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Leila Farmer  
Issues Manager  
250-208-9547

## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 12, 2018 4:31 PM  
**To:** Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX  
**Subject:** RE: Sign Off EMP-2018-86605 Due December 14, 2018

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**From:** Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX  
**Sent:** December 12, 2018 4:26 PM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** FW: Sign Off EMP-2018-86605 Due December 14, 2018

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**From:** EMPR FOI EMPR:EX  
**Sent:** Wednesday, December 12, 2018 2:28 PM  
**To:** Duncan, Kate EMPR:EX <Kate.Duncan@gov.bc.ca>; Sanderson, Melissa EMPR:EX <Melissa.Sanderson@gov.bc.ca>  
**Cc:** EMPR FOI EMPR:EX <MEM.FOI@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** FW: Sign Off EMP-2018-86605 Due December 14, 2018

Hi Kate and Melissa,

Please find the records for EMP-2018-86605 for your approval. If you're able to send these back with approval as soon as you're able that would be appreciated.

Please note we will request that the mentions of Chambers as a location will be redacted under s.15.

Thanks,



**Janine Crockett** | FOI Analyst | Executive Operations Branch, Deputy Minister's Office |  
Phone: 778 698 7245  
[Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources](#)

**From:** MacKenzie, Nina [<mailto:IAOResourceTeam@gov.bc.ca>]  
**Sent:** Monday, December 10, 2018 11:04 AM  
**To:** EMPR FOI EMPR:EX  
**Subject:** Sign Off EMP-2018-86605 Due December 14, 2018

Hello,

Please see the File Share folder for the sign-off package for your delegated head's review and decision.

**Legislated Due Date: December 14, 2018**

Please return your approval/recommendations to IAO as soon as possible. IAO needs at least one business day to release the response to the applicant.

Thank you,

Nina MacKenzie, FOI Analyst  
Resource Team  
Information Access Operations

## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 13, 2018 10:05 AM  
**To:** Plank, Sarah GCPE:EX  
**Subject:** RE: update to note?  
**Attachments:** 2018.10.02 QP MIRR Unist'ot'en - FINAL.docx

Hi Sarah,

The latest note I have is from October 2 – I've attached it to this email. Looking at the October note and the September ones you included, the language is very similar.

Also, I've included the latest lines we provided for PJH's issue scan:

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Thanks,  
Leila

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**From:** Plank, Sarah GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 13, 2018 9:14 AM  
**To:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX <Leila.Farmer@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** update to note?

Hi Leila – we have two slightly different notes on the Unist'ot'en issue. Do you have an updated one that's current that you can share? We are just updating our issues note and other materials. Also needing to provide some messaging for correspondence, as people have started to write in in support, so would like to draw from the latest.

Thanks,  
Sarah.

Sarah Plank  
Communications Director | Ministry of Indigenous Relations & Reconciliation  
Government Communications & Public Engagement  
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## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 13, 2018 1:57 PM  
**To:** Wood, Jessica IRR:EX  
**Subject:** Declined: ADM Draft 10 Principles Committee Meeting

Hi Jessica – thanks for the invite to this meeting. s.22

-Leila

## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 13, 2018 4:37 PM  
**To:** Tim GCPE:EX Howlett (Tim.Howlett@gov.bc.ca)  
**Subject:** RE: update

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 13, 2018 4:25 PM  
**To:** Tim GCPE:EX Howlett (Tim.Howlett@gov.bc.ca) <Tim.Howlett@gov.bc.ca>  
**Subject:** update

Hi Tim – here's the update for the scan:

### Background:

- The injunction hearing filed by Coast GasLink against the Unist'ot'en camp was heard in a Prince George court on December 13. The decision has been adjourned for 3:45pm on December 14.
- There were protests supporting the Unist'ot'en camp outside courthouses in Victoria and Prince George. There was also a solidarity protest in Toronto.
- On November 20, Coastal Gaslink tested access to the Morice bridge for inspection work. They were unable to gain access and subsequently filed an injunction to the court and served notice to two members of the camp.

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Leila Farmer  
Issues Manager  
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## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 21, 2018 10:00 AM  
**To:** Finn, Heather GCPE:EX  
**Subject:** Declined: Budget 2019 Comms Working Group

## Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX

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**From:** Farmer, Leila GCPE:EX  
**Sent:** December 27, 2018 1:35 PM  
**To:** AEST Deputy Minister AEST:EX  
**Subject:** Accepted: 8:00 LFS CALL