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Date: Monday, January 15, 2018 12:27:00
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Sent: December 22, 2017 9:27 AM

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Subject: LNG and climate
Date: Wednesday, January 24, 2018 09:42:16
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Hello Caelie,

Do you know whether Minister Heyman and his colleagues are fully aware of the warnings about the full GHG footprint of increasing fracking and building new LNG terminals? And have time to read up on latest climate change science?

New NASA Study Solves Climate Mystery, Confirms Methane Spike Tied to Oil and Gas

<https://www.desmogblog.com/2018/01/16/nasa-study-resolves-climate-mystery-confirms-methane-spike-ties-oil-gas>

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and the leaked findings from special IPCC report

<https://www.reuters.com/article/us-climatechange-draft/warming-set-to-breach-paris-accords-toughest-limit-by-mid-century-draft-idUSKBN1F02RH>

“The draft estimated that humanity could emit just 580 billion tonnes of greenhouse gases to give a better than 50 percent chance of limiting warming to 1.5C - roughly 12-16 years at current rates of emissions.”

This is a reminder that our existing targets (which we are not on track to meet) are insufficient and a blueprint for global disaster (even if we WOULD meet them)

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Subject: Data presented at fugitive methane research briefing
Date: Thursday, January 25, 2018 10:35:09
Attachments: [Risk Atherton Presentation Dec2017.pdf](#)
[DSF BC Methane Briefing Note FINAL Dec 2017.pdf](#)

For your review.

From: Ian Bruce [<mailto:ibruce@davidsuzuki.org>]
Sent: Friday, December 8, 2017 11:15 AM
To: Minister, ENV ENV:EX
Cc: Jeffery Young
Subject: FW: Follow-up on DSF-St. Francis Xavier methane research briefing

Hi Eveline,

It was great to see you at the David Suzuki Foundation (DSF) and CAS/MEM/BC OGC methane briefing this past Wednesday.

I sent the following email and follow-up briefing materials on our methane research to the staff who attended (see below). I think the attached DSF methane briefing note will be of particular interest to you and your Minister.

I know Jeffery Young will follow up with you about next steps. Please let us know if there's anything we can do so support your Minister's climate action mandate.

All the best. I wish you a wonderful and restful holiday break!

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From: Ian Bruce <ibruce@davidsuzuki.org>
Date: Friday, December 8, 2017 at 11:01 AM
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Susanna, Tim, Ines, Sean,

I wanted to extend our sincere thanks to you and your teams for the opportunity to discuss our methane emissions research this past Wednesday and its potential uses in informing B.C.'s approach towards provincial climate change and methane emissions commitments.

For your interest, I've attached the following briefing materials:

- St. Francis Xavier University and David Suzuki Foundation peer-reviewed paper in Atmospheric Chemistry and Physics can be accessed: <https://www.atmos-chem-phys.net/17/12405/2017/acp-17-12405-2017.html>
- Slide presentation by David Risk and Emmaline Atherton (attached)
- Slide presentation & report by DSF John Werring (available upon request – files are too large to email)
- Briefing note and policy recommendations by the David Suzuki Foundation (attached)

Again, it was a pleasure to meet you. Please let us know if you have any further questions or requests. We'd be happy to assist in any way we can.

Lastly, we hope you all enjoy a cheerful holiday season with your friends and families.

Best regards,

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Subject: Invitation from Organizing for Change
Date: Tuesday, February 13, 2018 17:24:47

Hi, Samantha – I understand this is already in the caucus calendar but realized I hadn't got the invitation out yet! Please let me know if you need anything more from me.



The members of Organizing for Change invite you to an opportunity to meet some of BC's foremost conservationists. We are hosting a lunch event for the Government Caucus on:

Tuesday, March 6th, 2018
Noon – 1:30pm
The South Pender Ballroom,
Hotel Grand Pacific
463 Belleville Street, Victoria
Refreshments and lunch will be served
[We hope you can join us.](#)

Organizing for Change is...

...a strategic initiative of BC's leading environmental groups. Together we encourage provincial elected representatives to demonstrate leadership in protecting nature and the clean air and water we all depend on.

Our groups engage with hundreds of thousands of British Columbians throughout the province who care about the issues we work on. These supporters are keen to see progress made on key environmental issues that were highlighted in your platform, and our organizations have much to offer to help make that happen.

Please RSVP

Lisa Matthauss
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Hi Caelie,

I just wanted to drop you a quick line letting you know of the email we sent out to 24,000 folks on our list (see below), asking them to send in letters to the editor in their local papers, indicating their support of the fight against KM and of the provincial government's efforts on behalf of all British Columbians.

Best,

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Tim Pearson

Director of Communications



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Dear Tim,

It's been a whirlwind couple of weeks.

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From: Ben Coleman
To: [Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX](#)
Cc: [Zacharias, Mark ENV:EX](#); [Chris Bloomer; XT:Horsfield, Kai FLNR:IN](#)
Subject: Thank you
Date: Thursday, February 22, 2018 15:10:59

Caelie I just wanted to thank you again for hosting us today. We really appreciated getting an opportunity to speak with the Minister and we look forward to working with your office. I'll look into arranging a joint meeting with DM. Nikolejsin.

Thanks again and hope you have a great day,

Ben Coleman,
CEPA

Sent from my iPhone

From: XT:Morrison, Geoff FLNR:IN
Sent: Friday, February 23, 2018 12:19
To: Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX
Subject: Re: Follow up on Feb 14 Meeting with Minister Heyman

Sure, no problem. Sorry I must have just look at the time in your first response. Apologies.

I will just take a few minutes - I know you have a lot going on.

Geoff

From: Caelie.Frampton@gov.bc.ca
Sent: February 23, 2018 12:12 PM
To: geoff.morrison@capp.ca
Subject: RE: Follow up on Feb 14 Meeting with Minister Heyman

Just over the phone please. It's that kind of day...

From: Morrison, Geoff [mailto:geoff.morrison@capp.ca]
Sent: Friday, February 23, 2018 12:03 PM
To: Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX
Subject: Re: Follow up on Feb 14 Meeting with Minister Heyman
Yes. That works fine. Your office? Or elsewhere?

Geoff

From: Caelie.Frampton@gov.bc.ca
Sent: February 23, 2018 10:32 AM
To: geoff.morrison@capp.ca
Subject: Re: Follow up on Feb 14 Meeting with Minister Heyman
Hi Geoff,

I can take a call at 2. Does that work for you?

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Caelie

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 23, 2018, at 10:29 AM, Morrison, Geoff <geoff.morrison@capp.ca<<mailto:geoff.morrison@capp.ca>>> wrote:

Hi Caelie

Are able to meet this afternoon? I will be back in Victoria at noon and I'm free except at 3:30 pm.

Geoff

From: Caelie.Frampton@gov.bc.ca<<mailto:Caelie.Frampton@gov.bc.ca>>
Sent: February 19, 2018 1:01 PM
To: geoff.morrison@capp.ca<<mailto:geoff.morrison@capp.ca>>

Subject: Re: Follow up on Feb 14 Meeting with Minister Heyman

Hi Geoff,

Friday afternoon works best for me. I'll get in touch that morning to find a time.

Caelie

Sent from my iPhone

> On Feb 19, 2018, at 11:31 AM, Morrison, Geoff <geoff.morrison@capp.ca<<mailto:geoff.morrison@capp.ca>>> wrote:

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> Hi Caelie

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> Great, I hope he finds this information useful, please feel free to contact me if there are any supplementary issues you would like additional information on. Please feel free to call any time if you any question about industries point of view on anything. Thanks again, we appreciate the Minister's time.

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> It would be great to debrief the meeting in person or on the phone sometime if you are able. I'll be in Calgary several days this week, but I have plenty of time Friday afternoon if you'd like to have coffee.

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> Geoff

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> Geoff Morrison | Manager of British Columbia Operations

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Frampton, Caelie ENV:EX [<mailto:Caelie.Frampton@gov.bc.ca>]

> Sent: Saturday, February 17, 2018 8:53 AM

> To: Morrison, Geoff <geoff.morrison@capp.ca<<mailto:geoff.morrison@capp.ca>>>

> Subject: Re: Follow up on Feb 14 Meeting with Minister Heyman

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> Hi Geoff,

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> Thanks for meeting with us this week.

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> I'm going to forward this directly to the Minister.

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> Have a good weekend,

> Caelie

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> Sent from my iPhone

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> On Feb 17, 2018, at 7:25 AM, Morrison, Geoff

<geoff.morrison@capp.ca<<mailto:geoff.morrison@capp.ca>><<mailto:geoff.morrison@capp.ca><<mailto:geoff.morrison@capp.ca>>>> wrote:

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> Hello Caelie:

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> Thank you for the meeting with Minister Heyman on Wednesday. Apologies for not having an opportunity to speak with you more fully following the meeting. Could you please pass on to the Minister our appreciation for what we felt was a useful and productive dialogue on many issues which we have common objectives. I am happy to follow-up anytime in person or on the phone.

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> A couple of salient points we made during the meeting with Minister Heyman included the importance of the timely establishment of offset protocols and programs to support upstream electrification. Sensible methane management standards and regulation are

preferable to other policy tools and that EITE policy is critically important as carbon tax increases; if BC intends remain competitive and attract additional upstream oil and gas investment to develop the Crown's resources. Similar points were made with during our meeting with Minister Mungall. I have included, below, the content of an email I sent to Mellissa Sanderson yesterday in follow up to a request for information regarding opportunity for electrification that arose during our meeting with Minister Mungall.

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> CAPP believes competitive electrification of the upstream will help B.C. move toward its provincial GHG reduction targets, representing a foremost opportunity for significant future GHG mitigation for the oil and gas sector in the province.

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> British Columbia is recognized as a world leader in addressing climate change, in part due to the availability of clean electricity within the province combined with recent and evolving policies and regulations promoting a transition to a lower carbon economy. As evidence, in recent years a number of CAPP's members have built several sizable upstream facilities which have been electrified, a practice which we believe is unique to British Columbia. As the government continues to support and encourage a clean, lower emission, natural gas and LNG industry, it is important to enable a competitive environment for electrification of upstream facilities. Actions such as the recent elimination of PST from industrial electricity rates is a positive and helpful step, however, the evolving natural gas market place and competitive pressures make it challenging to economically electrify today.

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> The price of electricity relative to the cost of natural gas is an important consideration in electrification decisions. To that end CAPP recommends that further development of fiscal mechanisms to promote electrification be considered, recognizing distance to existing transmission lines and price differentials can be key variables. Other mechanisms could include, but not be limited to, development of a robust offset system with targeted protocols that enable greenfield electrification of the upstream industry and a broader use of offsets throughout the province. This will allow the B.C. Government to achieve its dual ambition of achieving emissions reductions while growing the upstream natural gas sector and helping enable LNG exports in an increasingly competitive global market. As we understand it, there is no offset protocol for greenfield electrification projects in British Columbia; however a protocol is underdevelopment. It is currently our understanding that a project initiated now would not be eligible for offsets under a future protocol. As the value of offsets can be an economic consideration for a project, the absence of a protocol could be a factor in how a project proceeds, thus, timely development of a greenfield protocol is important.

> Given the current competitiveness pressures on the upstream sector and in today's environment of prolonged low natural gas prices, GHG offsets, or other fiscal measures, will be critical for attracting the private sector investments necessary to enable electrification opportunities.

> In the past, BC Hydro has been able to work with our members and offer incentives through an expansion of the PowerSmart program with a mandate to use the program to address greenhouse gas emissions. There is some uncertainty currently if this aspect of the program is still in effect. Having clarity on the status of this program would be beneficial and we would further encourage the BC government and BC Hydro to work collaboratively to explore other initiatives which could be of benefit to the objective of economically competitive upstream electrification.

> Targeted Infrastructure Investment

> CAPP encourages the government to explore initiatives that foster greater investment in infrastructure which will improve broad industry competitiveness and support LNG; infrastructure such as pipelines and electricity transmission. Such initiatives may include provincial and/or federal government involvement or indigenous participation. CAPP recognizes the importance of indigenous reconciliation, and believes economic development represents one of many possible paths toward promoting reconciliation.

> The province currently offers an infrastructure royalty credit program that awards royalty credits to oil and gas companies who invest in new oil and gas roads and pipeline projects in B.C. The program was designed to encourage investment in oil and gas infrastructure and improve year round access to oil and gas resources in northeast B.C. The program has facilitated new capital investment and job growth in northern communities, as well as new incremental revenue to the Crown. Since 2004, the program has leveraged over \$1.4 billion in industry capital investments in oil and gas infrastructure, and over \$5 billion in well drilling and completion investment, resulting in over 200 new or upgraded all-season roads and pipeline projects. Building on the success of the existing infrastructure royalty credit program; retention, and expansion of the award-winning Clean Infrastructure Royalty Credit program which advances British Columbia's position as a leader in clean technology is an approach which addresses emissions, promotes environmental benefits and enhances competitiveness.

> We appreciate the opportunity to provide upstream perspectives on the consultation and review of British Columbia's cost competitiveness and fiscal policies and we look forward to the opportunity to participate in ongoing consultation with government on competitiveness and other matters which impact competitiveness.

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> Today, at \$30/tonne the carbon tax already represents one of the highest operating expenses for upstream producers in B.C. In consideration of the government's commitments, CAPP identifies the need for further action to be taken to ensure that the

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