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Hello all,
Look forward to chatting this through tomorrow morning.

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Key Messages

- The government concluded the \$150,000 annual salary it is paying the LNG BUY BC Advocate could be put to better use.
- We couldn't find concrete reports on deliverables from the Advocate.
- This looks like another example of the BC Liberals looking after their friends while British Columbians pay the price.
- Our government will continue to pursue potential LNG export projects that meet the new government's four conditions.

Background

- Wilson was first appointed and the LNG BUY BC Advocate on October 30, 2013.^{s.22}
s.22 During the 2013 election Wilson campaigned on behalf of former Premier Christy Clark.
- We understand Wilson was initially paid as a contractor earning \$50,000 per four month period. In February 2015 he was placed on an annual contract worth \$150,000 per year and in February 2016 he was given a –two year contract that expires in February 2018.
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- There is no severance associated with Wilson's contract.

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- Between October 2013 and present, Wilson received \$550,000 in total compensation.
- While we have received a very high-level document summarizing some of his activities, we have not received a detailed accounting of the specific benefits he has delivered to BC businesses.
- Cabinet has passed an order allowing former BC Public Service Head Kim Henderson to work with her successor Don Wright to share insights and provide continuity. Henderson has graciously offered to work for \$1 per year.

Q&As

Is this part of the NDP's anti-LNG campaign?

- We support LNG development.
- We'll ensure any LNG development guarantees jobs and training opportunities for British Columbians, gets a fair profit for B.C. for our resources, benefits and includes First Nations in a meaningful way, protects our air, land and water, and lives up to our climate-change commitments.
- We couldn't find concrete reports or deliverables from the Advocate.
- We believe we can spend that money in better ways.

How much has the government paid Mr. Wilson?

- Between October 2013 and present, Wilson received \$550,000 in total compensation.

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Mr. Wilson's primary focus was outreach to First Nations, to involve them in LNG development. Are you endangering those relationships?

- Firstly, there aren't yet any LNG projects up and running.
- Minister Mungall is focused on working with the LNG industry to ensure we are a globally competitive jurisdiction.
- One of our four key conditions is that LNG development must benefit and include First Nations in a meaningful way.

British Columbia's new government supports LNG development – we have been clear about our four conditions:

1. LNG projects must offer jobs and training for British Columbians, especially jobs for local people.
2. The people of BC must get a fair return for our resources.
3. LNG projects must secure full partnerships with local First Nations.

4. LNG projects must complete a made-in-BC environmental assessment and respect our commitments to combating climate change.