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Updating your 2015 CNAR Reporting Year Contact Information

In preparation for 2015 Carbon Neutral Government reporting year, we are updating our contact information records. **Primary contacts**, please complete the **attached 2015 Carbon Neutral Government Contact Form in your email** for your organization and return it to the <u>Climate Action Secretariat</u> by **Friday, December 18, 2015**

The 2015 Carbon Neutral Government Symposium is only a few weeks away.

Don't miss your opportunity to attend.

REGISTER NOW!

This year's CNG Symposium is held at the Coast Coal Harbour Hotel in Vancouver on December 10 and 11, 2015.

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM THE SYMPOSIUM:

- Hear the latest on the development of B.C's Climate Leadership Plan
- Strategize approaches public sector organizations can take to achieve the greatest level of greenhouse gas emission reductions and associated energy cost savings
- Discover how deep emission reductions and energy cost savings can be achieved with an innovative new building design approach (Passive House) and hear about the first public sector pilot project underway in BC
- Find out about the risks and opportunities that will emerge as we continue to experience climate change impacts in BC
- Discover the economic impacts of the first five years of the public sector's commitment to carbon neutral government operations
- Learn about the Great Bear Rainforest carbon offset project and hear first-hand how this project has benefitted BC's coastal communities and First Nations

Coast Coal Harbour is offering special group hotel accommodations for attendees who quote code CCC-GFC4876

For more information, as well as to reserve your spot and book hotel reservations, please <u>register here</u>.

2015 Emission Factor Update:

We are moving to a new approach for updates to the BC Best Practices Methodology Guide.

- (1) A two-year update cycle with the caveat that some individual factors may be updated more frequently based on the significance of their year over year change.
- (2) Updates will generally be applied to the two years ahead. The SMARTTool emission factors for 2015 will remain the same as 2014 therefore the 2014 Best Practices Guide will be used for 2015 reporting.

2015 CNG OVERVIEW

The November 5th webinar was well attended. It covered the upcoming CNG reporting process for the 2015 reporting year and 2016 reporting timelines for all public sector organizations.

We have posted the PowerPoint presentation on the <u>Government Carbon Neutral Corner website</u>

Please refer back to this presentation to ensure you are aware of all the requirements for your 2015 reporting.

