

Quick-Fire Introduction
to
**Carbon Neutral Government
2013**

The webinar will begin in a moment ...

Agenda

- Introduction & Building on Success
- Carbon Neutral Government Roles & Responsibilities
- Program Improvements
- 2013 Timeline
- Self Certification & Verification
- Methodology
- Resources & More Information
- Summary & Questions



Context



- Climate Change is real
- It's mostly caused by humans
- It's getting worse...
- There is hope if we take action
- BC's Public Sector Organisations are providing Leadership

Building on Success

- Carbon Neutral Government 2012
- Carbon Neutral Symposium
- Carbon Neutral Government Survey



CNG Roles & Responsibilities

128 Public Sector Organizations

Carbon Neutral Government Team

- Climate Action Secretariat
- Carbon Measurement & Reporting
- Pacific Carbon Trust

Committees

- Carbon Neutral Committee
- Carbon Measurement Advisory Committee
- Carbon Offset Advisory Panel



Program Improvements

Carbon Neutral Offset Payments

	RY 2012	RY 2013
Deadline for submitting actual energy consumption data into SMARTTool	April 30	April 30
QA/QC of submitted data by CAS and CMR	April 30	April 30 – May 15
Final Emissions data for previous calendar year are determined from SMARTTool data entered by PSOs	April 30	May 15
Invoice issued	N/A	May 15
To ensure carbon neutrality, final offset payments must be received by PCT	May 15	Invoice will be issued as “payment upon receipt”
Organizations that not have made their offset payment will receive follow up communication	May 15– June 30	May 30 – June 30

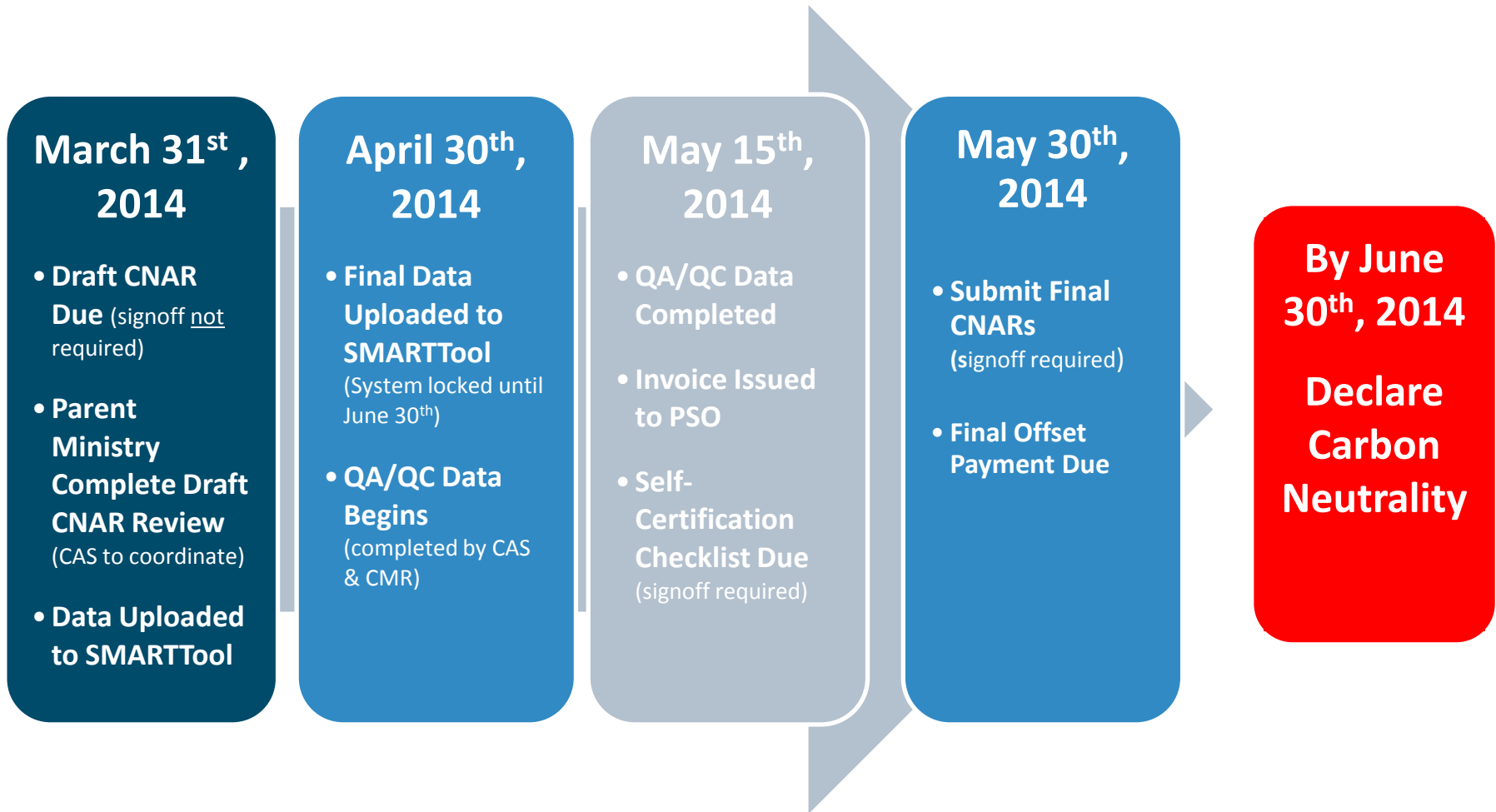
Deadline to “apply emission offsets in accordance with the regulations to net those emissions to zero.” [Greenhouse Gas Reduction Targets Act s. 6 (1)/(2)(c)] – June 30th

Program Improvements


Carbon Neutral Action Report

	RY 2012	RY 2013
Overview & Executive Summary	No change	Emissions summary table provided in overview
Emissions, Offset Totals & Changes Previous Years	Entered manually from SMARTTool	Same but now put in table as above
Green Buildings Form	Separate spreadsheet	Included in PSO “Data Page”
Self-Certification Checklist	No change	No change
Actions Taken to Reduce Emissions	Mandatory completion of list of actions	Revised list specific to Buildings, Fleet, Paper & Travel
Sustainability Actions Taken	Optional	Optional
PSO “Data Page”	Not required	New requirement for 2013
Final CNAR – Ministry of Environment Website	No change	No change
Final CNAR – PSO Website	Not required	New requirement for 2013
Final CNAR Due Date	May 15	May 30

2013 CNG Timeline



Self Certification & Verification

- Requirement under the *Carbon Neutral Government Regulation* 
- All organizations will self-certify that the 2013 data going into SMARTTool is accurate and complete using the Self-Certification Check-List by May 15th, 2014
- Each year, a representative sample of organizations will be selected for verification based on risk
- 2012 Verification Update
- QA & QC – Stand up to the scrutiny of independent verification! (February 06, 2014)

Methodology

- 2013 B.C. Best Practices Methodology for Quantifying Greenhouse Gas Emissions
- Scope Summary



Resources & More Information

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Webinar	Date
Electronic Utility Data Exchange – Update & Next Steps	December 05, 2013
In-Depth Introduction to CNG 2013	January 23, 2014
Carbon Neutral Action Report – All you need to know!	January 30, 2014
QA & QC – Stand up to the scrutiny of independent verification!	February 06, 2014
SMARTTool Review of Loading & Processes	February 12, 2014
Summary CNG 2013 – Readiness Check & Timelines	March 04, 2014
Carbon Neutral Government 2013	June 30, 2014

Summary & Questions

