

CLIMATE ACTION CHARTER

IMPACTS ON LOCAL GOVERNMENTS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS

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"If we are going to carry on growing, and we will, because no country is going to forfeit its right to economic growth, we have to find a way of doing it sustainably."

- Tony Blair

Introduction

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The Provincial Government (Province) is committed to addressing climate change and to reducing greenhouse gas emissions by 33 per cent below current levels (2007) by 2020.

- Commitment for local governments across B.C to significantly cut corporate greenhouse gas emissions by 2012.
- As of January 20th, 2010, 177 local governments and the Islands Trust have signed on to the charter. Complete list available at:
 - http://www.cd.gov.bc.ca/ministry/docs/cac_jan2010.pdf
- Note: The climate action charter does not apply to all local governments/regional districts, only to those who have signed.

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Local Government

- Signatory Local Governments will achieve the following goals:
 1. Being carbon neutral in respect to corporate operations by 2012
 - *Recognizing that solid waste facilities are not included in operations for the purpose of this charter.*
 2. Measuring and reporting on their corporate GHG emissions profile.
 3. Creating complete, compact, more energy efficient corporate facilities and operations.

Bill 27

Local Government (Green Communities) Statutes Amendment Act, 2008

- Bill 27: Local governments responsibility to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, conserve energy, and create more compact and sustainable communities.
- Bill 27: Require local governments to produce an annual report on community wide initiatives.

Bill 27

Targets, Policies and Actions in OCPs and RGSs

- Municipalities and Regional Districts required to:
 - Establish targets to reduce GHG emissions
 - Include policies and actions indicating how they will achieve the targets

- Required content comes into force:
 - OCPs May 31, 2010
 - RGSs May 31, 2011

C.A.C & Bill 27

Bridge the Gap

- Share a common goal: GHG Reduction
- Targets/timeline/reporting
- Improve quality of life by greening communities without compromising economic growth.
- Local governments to “lead the way” in GHG reduction.

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Impacts on contracted work and service providers

Guidance in relation to contracted services:

“Some emissions for services operated on behalf of local governments by contractors will be included in the corporate emissions profile. This will apply to new contracts or upon contract renewal. The types of contracts which would be included would be those which have reasonably identifiable energy consumption associated with the delivery of a traditional service. For example, emissions related to consultant services such as planning assistance would not be included but emissions from road maintenance contracts would.

The intention is to capture emissions from sources directly related to the traditional service being provided by the contractor. If a local government has a snow removal contract the emissions from the vehicles clearing snow would be captured, but the emissions related to the contractor’s corporate office building would not. Similarly, if a partner organization were operating a recreation centre on behalf of a local government the emissions from the recreation centre would be captured, but the corporate offices of the partner organization, and any vehicles used to travel to and from the corporate office to the recreation centre, would not be included.”

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“The rationale for including contracted out services was to establish a level playing field amongst all local governments. The rationale for phasing them in was to provide local governments with an opportunity to influence emissions during the next contract, and difficulty in data collection in some present circumstances.”

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GREENHOUSE GAS COVERAGE

IN SCOPE

OUT OF SCOPE

- ▣ **Six gases:**
- ▣ Carbon dioxide – CO₂
- ▣ Methane – CH₄
- ▣ Nitrous oxide – N₂O
- ▣ Sulphur Hexafluoride– SF₆
- ▣ Per fluorocarbons – PFCs
- ▣ Hydro fluorocarbons – HFCs

- ▣ All other gases not considered GHGs

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ORGANIZATIONAL BOUNDARIES

IN SCOPE

- Emissions from LGs that:
- are parties to the Climate Action Charter; and
- provide any of the following traditional services:
 - Administration and Governance
 - Drinking, Storm and Waste Water
 - Solid Waste Collection, Transportation and Diversion
 - Roads and Traffic Operations/Maintenance
 - Arts, Recreation and Cultural Services
 - Fire Protection

OUT OF SCOPE

- Emissions from LGs that are not parties to the Climate Action Charter.
- Emissions from:
 - Landfill
 - Transit services
 - Police Services
 - New construction (facilities, roads, etc.)
 - Primary power generation
 - Social housing
 - Tree farms
 - Community Sources (e.g., residential sources)

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CONTRACTED SERVICES

IN SCOPE

- ▣ Direct emissions from mobile sources which are used by contractors to provide traditional services.

OUT OF SCOPE

- ▣ Emissions associated with:
 - a contractor's corporate offices
 - travel to and from the contractor's offices

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- Local governments will be responsible for reporting on emissions related to contracted services in 2010.
- Emissions related to new construction will not be included.
- Reporting will be contract specific.

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Framework for local government

1. Create a GHG emissions inventory. (2008)
2. Set an emissions reduction target. (2008-2009)
 - **33% below 2007 levels by 2020**
 - **Carbon neutral by 2012**
3. Develop a corporate action plan. (2009)
4. Implement the corporate action plan . (2009-2010)
5. Monitor progress and report results. (2012)

*WHERE DO CONTRACTED
SERVICES FIT IN?*

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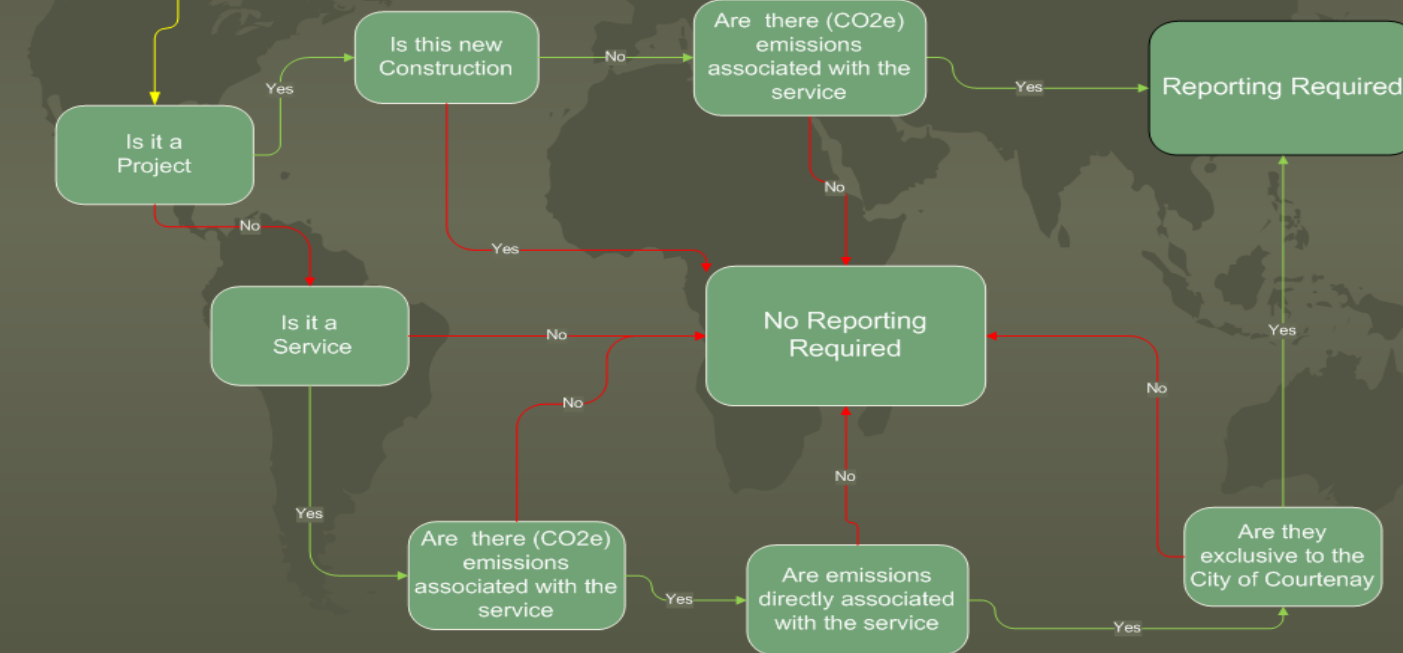
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Emissions inventory by Contracted Services (2010)
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Contracted Services Flow Chart

How to determine if we report on contracts

After you read the contract, think about how the work is being completed and ask yourself the question.....



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Discussion/ Q&A