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Question by China at Sunday, 30 September 2018

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 30 September

Title: progress

According to the projections reported in the BR3, Canada is not on track to achieve its 2020 target even under the WAM scenario. Could Canada provide information on other additional measures for the purpose of compliance, including the use of international market-based mechanism?

Answer by Canada
Not answered

Question by China at Sunday, 30 September 2018

Category: Assumptions, conditions and methodologies related to the attainment of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 30 September
Title: enhanced ambition

According to Decision 1/CP.19, developed country Parties are urged to revisit its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target and periodically evaluate the continuing application of any conditions associated with quantified economy-wide emission reduction target. How did/will Canada implement those specific resolves of the Warsaw decision?

Answer by Canada Not answered

Question by China at Sunday, 30 September 2018

Category: Assumptions, conditions and methodologies related to the attainment of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 30 September
Title: Market mechanism

Please clarify on the plan of using international market-based mechanisms or the timeline of

Canada's consideration on this issue. Whether Canada will be able to report this information in the next submission of biennial report?

Answer by Canada

Not answered

Question by China at Sunday, 30 September 2018

Category: Assumptions, conditions and methodologies related to the attainment of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 30 September
Title: LULUCF estimate

Could Canada provide information on the ongoing work on refining LULUCF estimates? What kinds of activities are included and what are the implications on the estimate of LULUCF emission/removal?

Answer by Canada Not answered

Question by China at Sunday, 30 September 2018

Category: Assumptions, conditions and methodologies related to the attainment of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 30 September
Title: LULUCF accounting

Please further clarify on how Canada will include the contribution of LULUCF sector in reducing GHG emission in the accounting of progress towards achieving the target. By applying such accounting measure, how to ensure the comparability of Canada's mitigation effort with those of other developed country Parties, especially Parties to the Kyoto Protocol (multi-year target vs. single year target)?

Question by Thailand at Friday, 28 September 2018
Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target
Type: Before 30 September
Title: Mitigation
4) Canada's approach to climate change includes addressing short-lived climate pollutants (SLCPs). How to reduce SLCP emissions sources from the Strategy on Short-Lived Climate Pollutants? Could you please explain about this Strategy?
Answer by Canada Not answered
Question by Thailand at Friday, 28 September 2018
Category: All emissions and removals related to its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target
Type: Before 30 September
Title: QA/QC
3) Could Canada provide more detail on who and how to proceed QA/QC?
Answer by Canada Not answered
Question by Thailand at Friday, 28 September 2018
Category: All emissions and removals related to its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target
Type: Before 30 September
Title: GHG inventory
2) Could Canada provide additional information on the roles of each agency involved in the data sharing of the inventory reporting, including enable us to better understand information on the characteristic of the data provided from partner and contributors agencies

Answer by Canada Not answered
Question by Thailand at Friday, 28 September 2018 Category: All emissions and removals related to its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target Type: Before 30 September Title: GHG inventory
1) Could Canada provide more clarification on how to estimate the net flux of emission or removal from LULUCF sector from the period of 1990-2015?
Answer by Canada Not answered
Question by New Zealand at Friday, 28 September 2018 Category: Assumptions, conditions and methodologies related to the attainment of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target Type: Before 30 September Title: Impact of Policies and Measures
We understand Canada expects to be able to increase the number of policies and measures for which a mitigation impact is estimated in its next reporting cycle. What steps is Canada taking to facilitate or enable this improvement?
Answer by Canada Not answered

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 30 September

Title: Pan-Canadian Framework

Canada's NC7 provides a detailed description of the Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change. Has Canada introduced specific measures, legislation or arrangements to support the Pan-Canadian Framework to endure over time, across its federal, provincial and territorial governments?

Answer by Canada Not answered

Question by New Zealand at Friday, 28 September 2018

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 30 September

Title: International market-based mechanisms

Canada, in both its BR2 and BR3, reported it may consider using international market-based mechanisms to meet its emissions reduction targets, subject to the establishment of robust systems. Has Canada progressed its position on using international market-based mechanisms, particularly to achieve its 2020 target?

Answer by Canada Not answered

Question by Republic of Korea at Friday, 28 September 2018

Category: Assumptions, conditions and methodologies related to the attainment of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 30 September

Title: Accounting for 2020 target

How is your Party going to account for the GHG reduction target for 2020?

Is the accounting done based on the headline indicator %? or based on the converted

absolute emissions figure in 2020?

If the accounting is done based on the converted absolute emissions figure, the quantified target year emissions will keep being changed until the final target year (2020) because the base year (mostly 1990) emissions change every year (although it is generally a slight change) in the National Inventory Report after recalculation.

Please provide a clear explanation about your accounting process for the 2020 GHG reduction target.

Thank you.

Answer by Canada

Not answered

Question by European Union at Thursday, 27 September 2018

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 30 September

Title: The role of LULUCF and market mechanisms in the 2020 target

The ERT noted (TRR3) that the 2020 projections (excluding LULUCF) suggest that Canada is likely to face significant challenges in achieving its 2020 target under the Convention, under both the WEM and WAM scenarios reported in the submission. In addition, the ERT could not assess Canada's use of units from market-based mechanisms (MBMs) and of LULUCF in the achievement of its 2020 target. The ERT also concluded that, in the light of the limited time remaining until 2020, it would be difficult for Canada to meet its 2020 target, and that therefore clarity was required regarding the role of the LULUCF sector and the use of MBMs.

Have there been any developments or plans on the use of LULUCF and MBMs for the achievement of Canada's 2020 target?

Question by European Union at Thursday, 27 September 2018

Category: Assumptions, conditions and methodologies related to the attainment of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 30 September

Title: Role of LULUCF in reaching 2020 target

Although emissions and removals from the LULUCF sector are not included in the calculation of the 2020 target for Canada under the Convention (i.e. this is done on the basis of national totals excluding LULUCF), any progress in reducing emissions or increasing removals in the LULUCF sector will be included in the accounting of progress towards achieving the target. Canada has not provided information how it intends to account for the sectors contribution.

Can Canada provide more detail on its intended accounting approach?

Based on the historical estimates for the LULUCF sector the size of the sink has significantly reduced since 1990. In the 2017 National Inventory Report for 1990-2015 which was the basis for the BR3 Canada reported estimates (based on a new methodology regarding natural disturbances) of forest land remaining forest land for 1990 at -250 000ktCO2eq, for 2005 -180 000 ktCO2eq and for 2015 -160 000 ktCO2eq. The emissions from natural disturbances are estimated at 14 000 KtCO2eq, 75 000 ktCO2eq and 250 000 ktCO2eq for the same years. The total LULUCF emissions were estimated for 1990 at - 99Mt CO2 eq, for 2005 at -37Mt CO2 eq and for 2015 at - 34 Mt CO2 eq.

Does Canada expect the LULUCF sector to represent a sink or a source as regards the achievement of its 2020 target under the Convention?

What are the lessons learnt by Canada from applying the exclusion of Natural Disturbance on forested land?

Answer by Canada Not answered

Question by European Union at Thursday, 27 September 2018

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 30 September

Title: Policies and measures

Under the Canadian Environmental Protection Act of 1999, the Minister of Environment and Climate Change may establish regulations on various aspects related to the release of GHGs, including setting quantities or concentrations of GHGs that may be released from various types of facilities or from vehicles, engines and equipment manufactured or imported into Canada for the purpose of sale.

Does the federal government intend to introduce further such standards to contribute to reaching the commitments under the Convention for 2020?



Question by European Union at Thursday, 27 September 2018

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 30 September

Title: Projected emissions and policies and measures

Canada has committed, under the Convention, to reducing its GHG emissions by 17.0 per cent below the 2005 level by 2020. In absolute terms, this means Canada has to reduce emissions from 738,263.70 kt CO2 eq (in the base year 2005) to 612,758.84 kt CO2 eq by 2020. (The inventory emissions from 1990 were at 611 000.78 kt CO2 eq.)

Canada has provided estimates for mitigation potential up to 2020 for policies adding up to approximately 100 000 kt CO2eq. WEM projections for 2020 however estimates emissions at 728 400 kt CO2 eq, i.e. an increase compared to 2015 levels reported at 721 801.45 kt CO2 eq.

Are there sectors of economy where Canada expects a growth of emissions towards 2020 and how are they tackled through policies and measures?

Question by European Union at Thursday, 27 September 2018

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 30 September

Title: Mitigation actions and barriers to implementation

The ERT noted (TRR3) that, in order for Canada to reduce GHG emissions in line with its 2020 target under the Convention it is of critical importance that the many planned PaMs that are part of the Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change (PCF) are implemented as soon as possible. The ERT also concluded that Canada faces challenges in making progress towards its emission reduction target by implementing mitigation actions that deliver significant emission reductions.

Could you please explain what are the main barriers for the implementation of the planned mitigation actions under the PCF, and also whether Canada's implemented PaMs have delivered the expected emission reductions so far?

Answer by Canada Not answered

Question by Australia at Thursday, 27 September 2018

Category: Assumptions, conditions and methodologies related to the attainment of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 30 September

Title: carbon budget or point year target

Is Canada's target accounted for using a carbon budget or is it a "point year" target (emissions in the target year reduced by a certain percentage below the base year)?

Question by Australia at Thursday, 27 September 2018

Category: Assumptions, conditions and methodologies related to the attainment of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 30 September

Title: International allowances used by subnational government schemes

How will Canada ensure that international allowances used by subnational government schemes count towards its national emissions reduction targets?

Answer by Canada
Not answered

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