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My name is Dominic Cliche and I am Director of Environmental Management at Transport Canada. I am accompanied by my colleagues Ms. Megan Nichols, Director General for Environmental Policy, and Ms. Deloranda Munro, Director General for Financial Operations, Administrative Services and Deputy Chief Financial Officer.

Thank you for inviting Transport Canada to appear before you today to give us the opportunity to speak about the steps we have taken in order to meet the Greening Government Strategy's greenhouse gas emission reduction targets in our fleet.

Under the Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change, federal, provincial and territorial governments committed to work with industry and other stakeholders to support the development of a strategy on zero-emission vehicles.

As announced on January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 by the Minister of Transport, the Government set new targets for sales of zeroemission vehicles in Canada, which are as follows: 10% of new light-duty vehicle sales to be zero-emission vehicles by 2025, 30% by 2030, and 100% by 2040.

I will now turn to the management of Transport Canada's fleet of administrative vehicles. Transport Canada has been proactive on the delivery of the Greening Government Strategy and actively participates on the Green Fleet Solutions Team mentioned by my colleague from Natural Resources Canada. With the goal of reducing our greenhouse gas emissions as outlined in the Greening Government Strategy, and with support from Natural Resources Canada, Transport Canada has conducted a telematics study which gathered data from the use of our vehicles across the country. This data was used to inform future vehicle purchases. The study indicated that of the 286 vehicles analyzed, 165 vehicles were suitable for replacement with zero emission vehicles, which would lead to a 282 ton (40%) reduction in GHG emissions, along with 15% fleet savings (\$1.4M) for the department.

Transport Canada's fleet includes 301 administrative vehicles across the country. Currently, Transport Canada's fleet is composed of 117 zero-emission or hybrid vehicles, representing 39% of the fleet. 58% of the fleet that has been ordered for fiscal year 2018/2019 are zero-emission or hybrid vehicles, compared to 18% the previous year. Starting in 2019/2020, Transport Canada has committed to purchasing 100% zero-emission vehicles when replacing administrative vehicles where operational requirements allow it.

Transport Canada is committed to continuing our efforts to meet and surpass Greening Government Strategy targets through the implementation of well-researched plans and ongoing monitoring.

That concludes my opening remarks, I welcome your questions.

