CCL Monthly Conference Call, Saturday, April 5, 2014
Groups meet at 9:45am PT / 12:45pm ET

Call-in number: 1-866-642-1665: Pass code 440699#

The international conference call starts at 10:00 am PT/1:00 pm ET SHARP!
The conference call part of the meeting is a little over an hour long and the groups meet for another hour after that to plan actions.

Instructions: Sign on to the call at least five minutes before the start time. When you first get on the call, announce your name, city and how many people are in the room.

Guest: Scott Nystrom, Regional Economic Models, Inc.

Scott Nystrom from Regional Economic Models, Inc. (REMI) will discuss their recent study about the economic impact a revenue-neutral carbon tax would have on California. Spoiler alert: The news is good. Scott is a Senior Economic Associate at REMI and holds a B.S. in economics and an M.A. in economic history from Iowa State University. You can view the California REMI report here.

Actions:

1) Prepare or update a dossier on your MP in preparation to meet with him/her this month.
2) Meet with your MP in your home riding during the House of Commons’ Easter Break. April 14 - April 25, 2014. Use your MP’s dossier and this month’s laser talks as well as laser talks on our website to help prepare for your meeting. Additionally, on this month’s regularly scheduled Canadian CCL Education (Thursday, April 17), we will be discussing the Analytica Advisors report to help you and your team prepare for meeting with your MP.
3) Table or speak at an Earth Day Event. We have plenty of resources on our website to make colourful and informative displays. Our actions sheets include tips on how to engage citizens.
4) Generate media around Earth Day by submitting OpEds and letters to the editor.

Upcoming:

1) Some of us will be in Ottawa during Environment week (June 2 and June 3, 2014). When we get the details we will be asking you to personally invite your MP to a screening of the movie The Change Agents on Parliament Hill during Environment Week. We are directly working with MP Alex Atamenanko (Nelson BC) and the Director of the movie, Sarah Hayward. Our national manager has watched the movie in its entirety and she fully endorses it. It is an empowering movie and is in the spirit of Citizens’ Climate Lobby. Gratitude to Laura and Sean at CCL Nelson for the beautiful connections.
ACTION 1: Prepare or update a dossier on your Member of Parliament for your lobbying efforts:

Before you meet with your MP, develop or update a one page to two page dossier file on your MP. You are to store that dossier in your personal files. Please review and revise the dossier after you meet with your MP. In September we will ask you to send us your MP’s dossier by October 1, 2014, for our collective lobbying efforts in Ottawa in late November. There are exemplars of MP dossiers at the end of the action sheets.

Include:
1) Their Official Picture,
2) Their Political Party
3) The Official Election Canada name of their Riding,
4) What year were they elected in?
5) Was it a close win in 2011 for your MP?

Contact Information
Local Contact Information, including names of aides
Ottawa Contact Information, including names of aides
Social Media URL’s (a.k.a. web addresses) for their Twitter Account and Facebook Page

Here are some very informative sites:
- Open Parliament - you can research almost everything your MP says publically here http://openparliament.ca/
- Your MP’s Facebook Page(s) and Twitter
- Do they publish in iPolitics? What is said about them in Wikipedia?
- The Pundits Guide - an indispensable source and relatively easy to find information about federal political parties, elections and some great blogs too: www.punditguide.ca
- You can also "google” your MP

Parliamentary Activities: Committees Cabinet or Shadow Cabinet and Special Interests (like All Party Climate Caucus).

Your Riding: How will climate change impact your riding? Just a brief outline of what sectors are most at risk and if there will be any short-term benefits (there will be no long term benefits). What are the major issues in your riding? What is the demographic breakdown of your riding?

Personal Information - which may be hard to find especially if you don’t know your MP well.
Prior Jobs, Family, Who they live with in Ottawa?

Who funded your MP’s 2011 federal election campaign? This may help you identify influential people in your community you may perchance talk to regarding carbon pricing. Just input whichever riding you want and party information: http://www.elections.ca/WPAPPS/WPF/EN/CC/SelectContributions?act=C2&eventid=34&returntype=1&option=4

Here's a link to all of the wonderfully searchable data which Elections Canada tracks for elections, political party contributions, nomination contests, etc: http://www.elections.ca/WPAPPS/WPF

Who did your MP nominate for Queen Elizabeth II Diamond Jubilee medals? This may indicate whose support they seek and/or what issues are close to their heart. For example, if your MP nominated military people, then you might want to gain a better understanding of the national and international security issues climate change poses prior to meeting with your MP. Try googling your MP’s name and “Diamond Jubilee” to find out who got the medals in your riding.
RANK YOUR MP and your riding:

- How “whippable” is your MP for voting in the House of Commons? We will identify this whippability on an Independence Scale in our dossiers
  
  1 = don’t know, 2 = whippable, 3 = in between, 4 = independent

- How alarmed do you think your MP is about climate change?
  
  1 = don’t know, 2 = climate denier, 3 = human caused but thinks there is no immediate threat, 4 = very alarmed

- Rank your riding. How aware and alarmed the people in your riding are about climate change?
  
  1 = very alarmed, 2 = human caused but thinks there is no immediate threat, 3 = climate deniers

  *if you don’t know, your goal when you meet with your MP is to determine how whippable and how concerned they are about climate change. When you ask your MP if they could support a private members bill for Carbon Fee and Dividend, this will be a huge indication of their whippability.

If you have any questions or would like help with your dossier, Julia Lansing, who lead the 2013 MP Dossier project, with assistance from CCL-Ottawa / National Capital Region and the Canadian CCL National Office for our 2013 Conference in 2013, has offered to help anyone who requires assistance:

Julia Lansing lansingjulia@gmail.com

Here is a picture of the awesome interns that coordinated, researched, compiled, photocopied and distributed the MP Dossiers for our 2013 conference in November. Julia is in the middle:
**ACTION 2 – Lobby your MP in your home riding**

*Meet with your MP* in your home riding during the House of Commons’ Easter Break, April 14 - April 25, 2014.

We are really lucky in Canada. We have easy access to our MPs.

Use your MP’s dossier and this month’s laser talks as well as [laser talks on our website](#) to help you prepare for your meeting. Join us on our Canadian calls and be empowered. Call the national office too. We are here to help.

**CHECK OUT THE LASER TALKS THIS MONTH:** Christine and Cheryl with feedback from Julia L., Val B., Cathy L., Cathy O., Lyn A., Liz A. Judy C. and I am sure others too, crafted laser talks specific for the Liberals, Conservatives and New Democrats.

Additionally, on this month’s regularly scheduled [Canadian Education](#) call on Thursday, April 17 (4:30 PST/7:30 EST), we will be discussing [the Analytica Advisors](#) report to help you and your team prepare for meeting with your MP.

Your goal this year will be to meet with your MP at least twice before we converge on Ottawa in November for our second annual conference and lobbying days.

In Canada, [our two year plan](#) is to create the political will for carbon fee and dividend in at least 100 ridings in Canada. We are very grateful to all the volunteers who hunkering down and getting focused on doing just that! Your work will be felt in 2015.

**Citizens’ Climate Lobby has only one rule:** Treat your MP with ADMIRATION, RESPECT and GRATITUDE for their service.

"All politics is local" was coined by the former Speaker of the U.S. House Tip O’Neill. It encapsulates the principle that a politician’s success is directly tied to his ability to understand and influence the issues of his constituents.

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**Ten key strategies for being a Citizen Climate Lobbyist**

1. **Stay connected** to what you want future generations to experience. Think of something that you cherish that is possibly threatened by climate change.

2. **Have a positive vision** of the future and of human nature. You will have more energy and attract the right people to you.

3. **Practice practice practice.** Every month we receive training on delivering a “laser talk” from Citizens Climate Lobby. We practice these talks in preparation for speaking with media and politicians.

4. **Work in teams** not on your own. Working in teams is more fun, spreads the work out, you can be a LOT more effective than if you act alone and it gets you noticed!

5. **Be a good listener** - Politicians are people and are very busy people too. Give them respect and listen carefully.

6. **Find common ground.** Many politicians have personal and political reasons why they cannot act on climate change.

7. **Stay within your allotted time** and offer to leave early.

8. **Don’t automatically give out resources and proof that supports your position.** Wait to be asked for references.

9. **Make partnerships with unlikely groups, companies, organizations and people.** Environmentalists are not the only people concerned about the many looming crises affecting humanity and the Earth.

10. **Find grace in the political “losses” because they are not losses, just another chapter.**
ACTION 3: Table at events

Why we table at events

(1) Tabling at events is one of the best ways to recruit new members as well as educate and encourage people to take action.

(2) It’s a low-risk, non-threatening way for newer CCL volunteers to quickly develop their lobbying skills. Effective tabling requires the same oral communication skills needed to lobby politicians or speak with editorial boards. IT’S A CONVERSATION. You learn to how to quickly establish a personal connection with strangers … how to communicate precisely about important concepts … how to ask good questions … and most importantly, how to LISTEN. You find out what works best for you.

(3) Educating our fellow citizens is empowering. You will inspire others by your example. And, it encourages people to get involved—to take that first “action”—by sending a postcard, signing a petition, writing a short letter to Parliament, attend a CCL meeting etc.

Resources:

Keep in mind that depending on the venue and/or event some of these may or may not be appropriate.

(1) A conversation starter. Remember, someone who slows down or stops is signaling an interest. Ask some friendly questions about themselves. “What brings you here today? “Where you from?” “Where’d you get that (hat)?” “Are you worried about the climate change?” GET THEM TALKING!

(2) A team of people. If at all possible, work in pairs. Ideally, pair up new and experienced members. Keep shifts manageable—typically, 1 to 2 hours.

(3) Handouts such as The Carbon Fee and Dividend Act, A Table that shows five quintiles of Canadian income levels and how our carbon tax proposal protects the poor and spares the middle, the BOOK MARK of the 10 reasons why we prefer a carbon tax, a half page Canadian CCL pamphlet in (PDF) page of admit one cards for our introductory call, postcard for politicians and a CCL sign-up sheet.

(4) Hands-on activities such as petitions from our Parliamentary Petition Project.

(5) Lots of pens and pencils on hand as well as notebook for taking down information. Crayons, pencil crayons, magic markers and colouring book pages for young people so parents will linger at your table longer.

(6) Books to see and handle such as The Case of Carbon Tax or Building a Green Economy.

(7) Water and snacks. This depends on the length of the shifts.

(8) Fire-proof tablecloths, if none are provided.

(9) To learn more about tabling, listen and watch a CCL-U episode of Tabling 101 HERE.
HERE ARE OUR RESOURCES TO CREATE COLOURFUL AND INFORMATIVE DISPLAYS:

**Our Banners**

- **CCCL Banner** - Colour, 96" by 24" (pdf)
- **Black and White**, 96" by 24" (pdf)
- **CCCL Header** - Colour to put on your documents

The Iconic Canadian CCL Rectangular Image and pdf - Colour, 32’ by 24'. The pdf file is great for tabling at events and the image can be reduced and used on brochures and documents.

Canadian CCL Image with just words and flags

**Suggested Image for Business Card in an 89x51 ratio**

- **Colour** Business Card
- **Black and White** Business Card

**Giant Blank Carbon Bonus Cheques 62.5" by 23.5"**

- **Giant Blank Cheque** - Black and White (pdf), Colour (pdf)
- **Giant Carbon Bonus Cheque $350.00** - Black and White (pdf), Colour (pdf)
- **Small coloured cheque $350.00** - image (png) 27” by 10.5”

**Citizens’ Climate Lobby Thank You Cards**

- **Coloured Thank You Cards**
- **Black and White Thank You Cards**

**Admit One to CCL Introductory calls**

A page of admit one cards for our introductory call (pdf)

**A Case for the Carbon Tax Poster**

- A 27.8 inch square poster that give the 10 reasons why there is A Case for a Carbon Tax in North America
The Five Chief Ways to Price Carbon

A 27.8 inch poster in pdf on the five ways to price carbon
1) Status quo, 2) Regulation, 3) Cap and Trade, 4) Carbon Tax, 5) Carbon fee and dividend. It includes an explanation on what revenue neutral tax means too.

How carbon fee and dividend is a progressive tax

A 27.8 inch poster about Carbon Fee and Dividend rewards good consumer habits

Pamphlets and Handouts

CCCL 2013 Media Hits package - a sampling of our media hits from January to December 2013. Please note our volunteers are free to voice their own opinions which may not necessarily be our opinions. Our talking points are to be found in our laser talks, media releases, and editorial packets. CCL’s official talking points adhere to peer-reviewed science that has majority consensus.

Posters - all Black and White, all 20 x 30 inches

A Solution: The Carbon Fee and Dividend Act
Everything is Connected
What we do
Ten Key Strategies of a Citizen Climate Lobbyist

PLEASE NOTE ALL OF THESE RESOURCES CAN BE FOUND OUR WEBSITE UNDER THE RESOURCES TAB IN THE TABLING AND OUTREACH SECTION.
ACTION 4: Generate media around Earth Day

Earth Day, April 22, is a prime opportunity to deliver our message in the media. Newspapers, in particular, will be receptive to Op Eds and letters to the editor. Many of our newspapers missed publishing conclusions of the IPCC’s WGII AR5 report on climate impacts that was released on March 31, 2014.

At your meeting this month:

- Draft letters to the editor for volunteers to submit in the week leading up to Earth Day. Open your letter with some reference to Earth Day being a reminder of how important it is to be good stewards of our natural resources and that the great challenge now before us is to reduce the risks posed by climate change. Before submitting, see if there is anything in the news that would be useful to reference in your letter. Designate someone in the group to remind people to submit their letters.

- See if one of your volunteers will draft and submit an oped to your local newspaper with an Earth Day theme. You can find tips for writing an oped on CCL’s Web site.

Suggested outline:

1. Open with something personal, perhaps a remembrance of Earth Day celebrations of the past. Acknowledge some of the ways your community is celebrating Earth Day this year.

2. Talk about how Earth Day inspires us to take personal responsibility – recycling, saving energy, walking and bike riding – but that now our entire society needs to take responsibility for the way we are changing the world’s climate. In other words, it will take more than changing our light bulbs to preserve the livable world into which most of us were born in the last century.

3. Cite the new IPCC report about the consequences we face if we fail to reduce greenhouse gases. Talk about local impact of climate change and opportunities with clean energy in your area.

4. Acknowledge the steps the Harper administration has taken climate change – regulations on the vehicle emissions and signing the International Treaty on Black Carbon, but note that we are not going to meet our Copenhagen targets. (see more in the laser talk on the Conservatives).

5. Suggest that Parliamentarians can come together with a market-based solution that won’t increase the size of government – a steadily-rising carbon tax that recycle revenue back into the economy. Appeal to your members of Parliament by name to support this solution.

6. Summarize your message and circle back to Earth Day.

If your group is not drafting and submitting a local oped, submit the Canadian CCL’s Earth Day Op Ed from the National Office. It will be circulated a week beforehand.
Citizen Climate Lobbyists (CCL) have read the Liberal Party's top 2014 Policy Resolutions with great interest, and thank the Liberal Party for welcoming consultations from citizens and groups such as CCL (1).

CCL thanks the Liberal Party for recognizing the need to eliminate subsidies to fossil fuel companies, which clearly do not need handouts that cost every Canadian about $800 annually, according to a 2013 IMF report (2,3). We are also very encouraged to see the Liberal Party articulate the need for a compelling (4) National Energy Strategy that will transition our energy system to one that is low-carbon. As stated in the policy resolution, such a transition must be designed to increase overall employment, utilize market mechanisms to reduce pollution and enhance competition for innovation in low-carbon technologies, and eliminate subsidies hindering the low-carbon transition, to name a few.

We believe that you will be very interested in Analytica Advisor's 2014 Canadian Clean Technology Industry Report (5).

The clean tech industry has the potential to completely transform Canadian industrial practices while increasing employment from 41,000 Canadians currently to 100,000 in just eight years. Given the urgent need to reduce greenhouse gases in Canada and around the world – the more these clean-tech jobs created the better.

The Conservatives are missing out on an opportunity to use a market-based mechanism to tackle our greenhouse house gas emissions while at the same time strengthen Canada's economy. Liberals can differentiate themselves with a focus on jobs and economic diversification that will move Canada more quickly to a low carbon future (6).

Today, clean technology is an $11 billion industry made up of 700 small to medium sized enterprises, which invests $1 billion a year in research and development with minimal support from the federal government. It has the potential to grow into a $50 billion industry by 2022 with the right policies, investment and industry engagement.

The Liberal Party is right to identify market mechanisms as an effective means to grow this industry. Many economists advise that a rising fee on carbon at the wellhead with revenue given to Canadian households will send a market signal to industry to improve efficiencies and competitiveness, while helping Canadians shoulder rising costs associated with the rising carbon fee. BC’s clean technology sector grew by 48 percent in just two years after the province legislated its carbon tax (6).

If a private members bill for carbon fee and dividend was introduced in the House of Commons would you consider supporting it?

References:
(1) https://convention.liberal.ca/2014-policy-resolutions/
(3) http://ecoopportunity.net/2013/04/fossil-fuel-subsidies-nearly-800-per-canadian-says-the-imf/
Citizens’ Climate Lobby thanks New Democrats for recognizing the need to eliminate $1 billion dollars annually in subsidies to fossil fuel companies. These companies clearly do not need handouts that cost every Canadian about $800 annually, according to a 2013 IMF report (1).

CCL is also encouraged to hear New Democrats articulate their support for Canada’s clean tech industry, which has the potential to completely transform and “green” Canadian industrial practices while increasing employment from the 41,000 Canadians currently to 100,000 in just eight years. We believe that you will be very interested in Analytica Advisor’s 2014 Canadian Clean Technology Industry Report (2). This report highlights Canada’s clean technology which today is an $11 billion industry made up of 700 small to medium sized enterprises and which invests $1 billion a year in research and development with minimal support from the federal government. With the right government policies, investment and industry engagement it has the potential to grow into a $50 billion industry by 2022.

Citizens’ Climate Lobby and New Democrats agree on the urgent need to act on climate change. New Democrats recognize the need to price carbon, and believe – like CCL - that a market-based solution is better than regulation. We understand that your preferred carbon pricing mechanism is cap and trade, which is CCL’s “second favourite” carbon pricing mechanism*. You may be interested in a new Stanford study that found that the burden of carbon regulation is heaviest on the poor but that the effect of pricing carbon on lower income groups can be addressed through transfer payments, such as a dividend or lowering taxes such as payroll or income (3).

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It is interesting to note that Australia introduced a carbon pricing mechanism in 2012 that blended both a carbon tax and a cap and trade system. It starts with a fixed price on carbon for three years, then transitions from 2015 to 2018 to a cap-and-trade program, with a price cap and price floor (5).

Until the New Democrats have the opportunity to introduce their own climate legislation, given the scientific consensus on the urgent need to act on climate change and curb carbon emissions, and the need for our Parliament need to be more responsive to the crisis, if there was a Private Members Bill for Carbon fee and dividend, would you consider supporting it in the House of Commons?

* We are not opposed to any mechanisms that reduce GHGs and prefer market-based mechanisms over regulation.

Resources:

(5) http://www.c2es.org/docUploads/Australia_Pricing_Mechanism.pdf
Citizens’ Climate Lobby appreciates the current federal government’s commitment to a strong stable economy and to provide Canadians with a high and enduring quality of life. In particular, CCL appreciates the Conservative government’s commitment to addressing the root causes of global warming as evidenced by joining the Climate & Clean Air Coalition to Reduce Short-Lived Climate Pollutants, which is using an international treaty to reduce black carbon.

Citizens’ Climate Lobby also recognizes individual steps this government has taken towards a healthier environment, including past initiatives like the EcoEnergy Retrofit program, and other ongoing programs such as:

- Regulating Greenhouse gas emissions in the transportation sector
- Investment in the green energy sector through Sustainable Development Technology Canada
- Establishment of the Pulp and Paper Green Transformation Program
- Investment in the Green Infrastructure Fund
- Creating the Clean Energy Fund to support projects such as carbon capture & storage
- Providing funding to revitalize Canada’s meteorological services
- Expanding eligibility for the accelerated capital cost allowance for clean energy generation equipment
- Establishing a $1.5 Billion trust fund to help provinces & territories invest in clean air projects

Despite all these great initiatives Citizens’ Climate Lobby is concerned that we are not going to meet our Copenhagen targets and that our greenhouse gas emissions in 2030 will be 815 Mt CO2 eq up from 737 Mt CO2 eq in 2005 and that most of the emissions increase will be from the oil sands (1 and graphs below).

The federal government’s commitment to a strong economy that is harmonized to that of the United States is well recognized, and CCL acknowledges the work that is being done with the U.S. on the Clean Energy Dialogue to collaborate on clean energy R & D and deployment, and building a more efficient electricity grid. We too work very closely with our CCL counterparts in the USA on the climate and energy file.

We believe that you will be very interested in Analytica Advisor's 2014 Canadian Clean Technology Industry Report (2). Today, clean technology is an $11 billion industry made up of 700 small to medium sized enterprises, which invests $1 billion a year in research and development with minimal government support. It has the potential to grow into a $50 billion industry by 2022 with the right policies, investment and industry engagement.

Currently the destabilizing climate effects of global warming emissions, particularly carbon dioxide, are placing our strong economy in jeopardy, along with Canada’s pristine environment and the health and safety of Canadians. Strong statements from the IMF, the OECD, the World Bank, and the IEA regarding the urgent need for governments around the world, including Canada, to do more to radically reduce carbon emissions bolster the case for urgent and effective action (3).

The good news is that there is a growing consensus among economists, including conservative ones, that the solution to the challenges of global warming, and an alternative to costly and risky government intervention in the market place through sector by sector regulation, is a consumer-friendly price on carbon. They agree that it should be enacted in the following way:

- Start small and increase predictably. Businesses need predictable energy prices and the economy needs a smooth transition.
- Revenue Neutral. All the revenue is returned to citizens to mitigate the economic impact.
- Easy to administer at home and to emulate abroad. The fee is collected only once, as far upstream as practical.
- Protects business from unfair domestic& international competition using border taxes and credits.
- Doesn’t play favourites. It lets markets and localities pick the winning technologies.
• Doesn’t grow government. A straightforward carbon fee takes no time to set up and requires no additional bureaucracy. It's easy to understand and to monitor.
• Citizens’ Climate Lobby invites the Conservative government to support carbon fee and dividend legislation, for the good of our country and to preserve a livable world for future generations.

If a private members bill for carbon fee and dividend was introduced in the House of Commons would you consider supporting it?

Resources:

(1) [http://unfccc.int/files/national_reports/non-annex_i_natcom/submitted_natcom/application/pdf/final_nc_br_dec20__2013%5B1%5D.pdf](http://unfccc.int/files/national_reports/non-annex_i_natcom/submitted_natcom/application/pdf/final_nc_br_dec20__2013%5B1%5D.pdf)


(3) Compilation of quotes – see below
Canada thanks for the GHG regulations for vehicles. What about the oil sands?

Total Emissions for Cars, Trucks and Motorcycles VS Emissions in the Oil Sands for Canada

Extrapolated from figures 5.6 and 5.8 in Canada’s Sixth National Report on Climate Change

GHG Emissions (CO2 Eq./Capita) by Province

Canada's Sixth National Report on Climate Change 2014

Data Extrapolated from Table 5.23
Compilation of quotes

International Energy Agency (IEA):
“If current trends continue, and we go on building high-carbon energy generation, then by 2017, there will be no room for manoeuvre at all – the whole of the carbon budget will be spoken for.”

World Bank:
Produced a report in November 2012 entitled: Turn Down the Heat: Why A 4 Degree Warmer World Must Be Avoided
“We’re on track for a 4°C warmer world marked by extreme heat-waves, declining global food stocks, loss of ecosystems and biodiversity, and life-threatening sea level rise.” World Bank, “Turn Down The Heat”
“If there is no action soon [on greenhouse gas reductions], the future will become bleak.” Jim Yong Ki, President, World Bank  http://www.washingtonpost.com/opinions/make-climate-change-a-priority/2013/01/24/6c5c2b66-65b1-11e2-9e1b-07db1d2ccd5b_story.html.

International Monetary Fund:
“Stabilizing atmospheric concentrations of greenhouse gases will require a radical transformation of the global energy system over coming decades.” - (factsheet: Climate, Environment, and the IMF Published March 18, 2014)

“Even more important is the issue of climate change, which, in my view, is by far the greatest economic challenge of the 21st century. The science is sobering — the global temperature in 2012 was among the hottest since records began in 1880. Make no mistake: without concerted action, the very future of our planet is in peril.” - IMF Managing Director Christine Lagarde, January 2013

World Economic Forum:
“Greening economic growth is the only way in which sustainable, inclusive development can be achieved that will satisfy the basic needs of 9 billion people and provide them with equal rights to material prosperity. A key challenge is the urgent need to reduce carbon emissions to avoid the catastrophic impacts of global warming.” - Climate Change and Green Growth, WEF

Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD):
“Any new fossil resources brought to market - conventional or unconventional - risk taking us further away from the trajectory we need to be on.” OECD Secretary-General Angel Gurría

“Unlike the financial crisis, we do not have a 'climate bailout option' up our sleeves...And despite all the attention given to climate change deniers, our understanding of the scale of the risk is much better developed than our understanding of the financial risks, pre-crisis.” OECD Sec-General Gurría
Personal Information/Affiliations

Basic Information

- Education
  - Bachelor of Science, Lee University

Appreciation for
- Lowest house expenses in the region (2012-2013)

Relevant committees
- Member of the Climate Caucus?
- 41st Parliament, Associate Member:
- Agriculture and Agri-Food, Environment and Sustainable Development, Fisheries and Oceans, Natural Resources

Positions

Energy/climate/environment:
On behalf of Canada’s Environment Minister, announced funding from the EcoAction Community Funding Program for a new environmental project in Bayfield, Ontario. In total, $40,000 in federal funding will support local action to reduce pollution, improve air and water quality, and protect wildlife and natural habitat.

Jobs/economy/national debt:

National security:

constituent concerns for MP’s riding:
**Chris Charlton**  
New Democrat Party  
First elected in 2006 by a margin of 3172 votes

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**Personal Life:** Born in Germany, Charlton immigrated to Canada with her parents in 1975. She attended the University of Western Ontario for undergraduate studies and then McMaster University to pursue a Master’s Degree in Political Science. After working for Bob Rae’s provincial government, she started working on a PHD in political science at the University of Toronto.

**Political Activities:** Charlton worked as a political advisor to Bob Rae’s New Democratic government of Ontario. Starting in 1997, Charlton ran unsuccessfully for a number of offices at the provincial and federal levels before finally being elected as a federal MP for the Hamilton Mountain riding in 2006. Since then, she has served on a variety of committees such as health, finance and the status of women. She has also co-chaired the committee on scrutiny and regulations, and been a critic in areas such as Industry, Labour and Pensions. Finally, it is worth noting that she has served as NDP and Chief Opposition Whip.

**Riding Information:** Hamilton-Mountain is often a swing-riding for the Conservative, NDP and Liberal parties. It is diverse with low income public housing and large estates, skilled and unskilled workers, and immigrants.

**Position on Carbon Tax:** On July 11th 2008, Charlton posted her opposition to a carbon tax (proposed by the Liberals) and endorsement of her party’s proposed cap and trade system. The reason she endorses a C&T system is that it sets an explicit and measureable limit on emissions. Furthermore, it makes industrial polluters (who produce the most carbon emissions) pay for their pollution and provides incentives for polluters to emit below the carbon limit so that they can sell their credits to those over-polluting. On the other hand, Charlton writes, a carbon tax system makes all Canadians pay for pollution through the increased price of consumer goods. This is unfair because it treats less wealthy Canadian consumers the same as the large industries who produce a relatively disproportional amount of carbon. It is also unfair to consumers who must pay a higher cost for essential carbon emitting products such as home heating. Finally, she rejects the notion that a carbon tax could be revenue neutral with the poorest Canadians benefiting most, not only by citing the same promise made about the GST that has yet to be fulfilled, but also because of the fact that recycling the revenue leaves no money to invest in green solutions. These arguments are important to be mindful of when lobbying.
Matthew Kellway
New Democratic Party
MP, Beaches-East York
First elected in 2011 by a margin of 41.6%

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Personal Information/Affiliations

Basic Information

- Education
  - BA Queen's University
  - Master of Industrial Relations University of Toronto
- Hobbies/interests
  - Co-chair of the Toronto Energy Coalition

Relevant committees
- Member of the Climate Caucus?
- Member of the Standing Committee on Health

Positions

Energy/climate/environment:
- Has a keen interest in urban sustainability
- Addresses the House in a debate detailing carbon emission problems from cars and how riding bicycles are a good way to reduce carbon emissions as well as improve all-around health (April 15, 2013)

Jobs/economy/national debt:
- Official Opposition Urban Affairs Critic
- As a founding member and co-chair of the Toronto Energy Coalition, he led his community’s fight against a gas-fired generator on the waterfront and has been a strong advocate on an array of other environmental issues.

National security:
- Official Opposition critic for military procurement

Riding Information

Population centers
- The riding combines two notable city neighbourhoods: the Beaches and part of the former borough of East York
- Total Population: 104,830
- % of the population aged 15 and over: 83.5
- Total population 15 years and over by labour force activity: 85,770
- In the labour force: 58,705
- Employed: 54,685
- Unemployed: 4,025

Key constituent concerns for MP’s riding:
Władysław Lizoń

Conservative Party
First elected 2011
with a margin of 661 votes

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OPPOSED to a tax on carbon
Sample statement: “...the Leader of the Opposition and his party want to impose a $20 billion job-killing carbon tax on the backs of hard-working Canadians. This sneaky $20 billion job-killing carbon tax would increase the price of everything, including gas, groceries and electricity. ... I can proudly say that we will continue to fight for Canadians and oppose this $20 billion job-killing carbon tax.”
-Władysław Lizoń, 2013-03-28 11:15 a.m, speaking in the House of Commons.

Other Political Views
Mr. Lizoń is a radical religious conservative. He was a co-signatory to a letter asking the RCMP to investigate late-termabortionsashomicide. He introduced bill C-266 to try to recognize April 2nd as a day to honour Pope John Paul II. He travelled to Rome to congratulate Thomas Collins, the Archbishop of Toronto, on his promotion to cardinal. A banner on Mr. Lizoń's official website continued to celebrate the Israel Independence Day two weeks after the day had passed. Mr. Lizoń pushed the government to pass new rules forbidding immigrant women from wearing a niqab as they swear the oath of citizenship.

Personal Background
Born in Poland in 1954, immigrated to Canada 1988, became citizen in 1992
Master's degree in Mining Engineering in 1978
Started Gomark Enterprises in 1999.

Miscellaneous
Because Władysław Lizoń's 2011 election was decided by a very narrow margin, it is often cited as an example of an election result that may have been affected by the robocall scandal. Robocalls were made in his riding, however no one has published any evidence or allegation that Mr. Lizoń directed or funded these calls.