ECCC GHG Reporting - Information about 2016 and changes being considered for 2017

Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC) wishes to inform you of the following items related to the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reporting Program (GHGRP):

1) ECCC is considering changes to the reporting requirements, starting with 2017 data.

The <u>Notice of intent to inform stakeholders of upcoming consultations on proposed changes to</u> <u>the Greenhouse Gas Reporting Program</u>, published on December 10, 2016, in Part I of the <u>Canada Gazette</u>, provides information about the proposed changes and plans for consultations. The proposed expansion to the reporting requirements includes:

- lowering the reporting threshold from 50,000 to 10,000 tonnes of carbon dioxide (CO₂) equivalent. All facilities that emit the equivalent of 10,000 tonnes or more of greenhouse gases (GHGs) in CO₂ equivalent per year will be required to submit a report;
- reporting of additional data (e.g. more detailed emissions, quantities of fuels or feedstocks consumed, etc) and applying specific quantification methods to determine emissions. These new requirements will be gradually phased in by sectors.

ECCC will begin consultations with stakeholders in early 2017, in advance of issuing requirements for 2017. Interested stakeholders will find information on how to get involved in the above notice or on the GHGRP website.

2) Reporting of 2016 GHG Emissions

The <u>Notice with respect to reporting of greenhouse gases (GHGs) for 2016</u>, requiring the reporting of GHG emissions for the year 2016, was published on December 10th, 2016 in Part I of the *Canada Gazette*. Facilities with GHG emissions that meet or exceed the 50,000 tonnes of CO₂ equivalent emissions threshold must report their GHG information to ECCC on or before June 1, 2017. The reporting requirements for 2016 are the same as last year's.

If you submitted a GHG report for the year 2015 and determine that you do not need to file a report for 2016, you must advise ECCC by the reporting deadline that you do not meet the reporting criteria for 2016. To meet this notification requirement, you have the option to submit a Does Not Meet Criteria notification through ECCC's Single Window (SW) system.

A link to the above notice and technical guidance to assist you in reporting to the GHGRP is available on the GHGRP website.

Information to be submitted in response to the above notice is collected via ECCC's SW system. This system will be available for the reporting of 2016 data in the spring of 2017.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the GHGRP at the coordinates below.

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