



# WRITTEN QUESTIONS FORM

## *3<sup>rd</sup> Session, 65<sup>th</sup> General Assembly*

### *Legislative Assembly of PEI*

Question number: <b>1</b>	Question date: <b>November 17, 2017</b>
Question asked by: <b>Colin LaVie, Member for Souris-Elmira</b>	
Question asked of ( <i>department</i> ): <b>Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy</b>	
Question answered by ( <i>Minister</i> ): <b>Hon. Paula Biggar</b>	Date answer received by Clerk's Office: <b>Office Use Only</b>

**QUESTION:** What is government's intention for the building and land parcel of the former Fortune Consolidated and La Belle Cloche site, once it is vacant?

#### **ANSWER:**

No decision has been made at this time for the future use of the building or land.

Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy (TIE) has recently received notice from the French Language School Board that the former Fortune Consolidated School property, currently housing Ecole Le-Belle-Cloche, is surplus to their operations after the school's transition to its new facility.

As per TIE policy, all Government Departments will be notified via the Provincial Land Review Committee that the building/property is surplus and request input related to interest and use.

TIE will review options to re-purpose for other government initiatives.

If there is no interest/options for the building or property, TIE will assess the value of the property for the purpose of determining fair value in the event of sale.



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**QUESTION:** Will the government consider opening the site [of the former Fortune Consolidated and La Belle Cloche] to expressions of interest from the community?

#### ANSWER:

Yes, however there is a process that must be followed.

If Government determines there is no viable interest/option for the building or property to be re-purposed for Government use, Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy will consult with the Mi'kmaq Confederacy of Prince Edward Island indicating the intention to sell the building/property.

At this time, TIE may seek approval from Executive Council to dispose of the building/property through a public offering. This includes an option for community/non-profit consideration.



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Question number: 4	Question date: November 17, 2017
Question asked by: Jamie Fox, Member for Borden-Kinkora	
Question asked of ( <i>department</i> ): Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy	
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**QUESTION:** Is Maritime Electric involved in any upgrades or conversions to improve and lower carbon emissions from the CTGS Unit and the CTU units?

#### ANSWER:

Maritime Electric, a private utility regulated by IRAC, is the owner of the electricity generation assets.

Maritime Electric tabled its capital budget with IRAC on August 15, 2017. Capital expenditures for generation included in this plan are for \$1,771,000. A small provisional amount has been allocated to the CTGS to extend the operating life with respect to safety or other critical operating equipment as the plant is transitioned into long term layup and decommissioned. This decommissioning is a priority. Most of the remainder of this expense was for work on the CT3 turbine controls.

The primary role for Maritime Electric's generation is for backup for the submarine cables. They also provide generation in times of supply curtailment or energy transmission line outage from the mainland. Very little carbon emissions are produced from electricity generation on the Island as, for example, past years they were operational for about 1% of the time. With the new cables we expect even less run time.



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**QUESTION:** What discussions are being held between the PEI Energy Corporation and Maritime Electric regarding carbon emissions and the lowering of emissions to improve environmental practices?

#### **ANSWER:**

As most of our electricity is generated either through wind or imported from NB, there is little we can do to reduce our emissions further through our electric utilities.

We are, however, doing significant work with respect to our energy efficiency programs through efficiencyPEI to reduce both electric consumption and non-electric energy savings by 2% each by 2021. There is substantial carbon reductions associated with these programs.

We are also talking to both utilities (Maritime Electric and City of Summerside) on ways to integrate more renewables and storage options on to the system. We are also exploring peak shaving initiatives and distributed renewable generation to reduce our peak demand and prevent the costly installation of new fossil fired generation.



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### *Legislative Assembly of PEI*

Question number: <b>12</b>	Question date: <b>December 13, 2017</b>
Question asked by: <b>Peter Bevan-Baker, Leader of the Third Party</b>	
Question asked of ( <i>department</i> ): <b>Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy</b>	
Question answered by ( <i>Minister</i> ): <b>Hon. Paula Biggar</b>	Date answer received by Clerk's Office: <b>Office Use Only</b>

**QUESTION:** Please provide the application made by the Department of Transportation, Infrastructure and Energy to the first round of Natural Resources Canada's *Electric Vehicle and Alternative Fuel Infrastructure Deployment Initiative*. Please also provide any information received regarding the reasons for the application's rejection.

#### **ANSWER:**

The Province did not apply for Phase I of the *Electric Vehicle and Alternative Fuel Infrastructure Development Initiative*. This was because at the time of the application window, the Province was in the process of developing its Energy Strategy and had not determined what actions we would be taking on electric vehicles.

While the Province did not apply for Phase I of the *Electric Vehicle and Alternative Fuel Infrastructure Development Initiative*, it did apply to access funds for electric vehicle infrastructure through NRCAN's Energy Innovation Program. Two applications were submitted. Both were unsuccessful. This funding stream is targeted more towards Research and Demonstration which is why our applications were unsuccessful.

NRCAN recently announced Phase II of the *Electric Vehicle and Alternative Fuel Infrastructure Deployment Initiative* and we are in the process of that application now. The deadline is spring 2018. The objective of Phase II of the Electric Vehicle Infrastructure Deployment Program is "focus on completing the coast-to-coast network of electric vehicle fast chargers on the national highway system", and as such we are confident that PEI is a strong applicant for this new funding opportunity.

As well, in September 2017, the Province submitted an Expression of Interest to NRCAN's Green Infrastructure Fund (Phase II). This application is pending.



# ANSWERS TO WRITTEN QUESTIONS

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### *Legislative Assembly of PEI*

Question number: 1491	Question date: May 12, 2017
Question asked by: Darlene Compton	
Question answered by: Hon. Paula Biggar	Answer date: January 2, 2018

#### QUESTION:

Please table a copy of all correspondence with the Government of Canada and its affiliated bodies regarding the Wood Islands Ferry between February 23rd, 2015 and present.

#### ANSWER:

There was no written correspondence with the Government of Canada and its affiliated bodies regarding the Wood Islands Ferry in the requested time frame.



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Question number: 1492	Question date: May 12, 2017
Question asked by: Darlene Compton	
Question answered by: Hon. Paula Biggar	Answer date: January 2, 2018

#### QUESTION:

Please table all correspondence, reports, briefing notes and memoranda regarding the Wood Islands Ferry Task Force between January 1, 2017 and present.

#### ANSWER:

The Wood Islands Ferry Task Force was announced on February 17, 2017 and falls under the Department of Rural and Regional Development.



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Question number: 1511	Question date: October 12, 2017
Question asked by: Sidney MacEwen	
Question answered by: Hon. Paula Biggar	Answer date: January 2, 2018

#### QUESTION:

Please provide a list of all unpaved or dirt roads (clay, gravel, millings etc.) that have been paved in the province since 2007. Please list the names and locations.

#### ANSWER:

PRINCE COUNTY		
NAME	LENGTH	YEAR
ASCENSION RD - RTE 160	198	2007
CENTER LINE RD - RTE 151	929	2014
FERRY RD	475	2009
GEORGE ST	166	2009
GUNION RD	526	2007
HARDY RD	1102	2010
HAYWOOD RD	608	2009
HIGGINS RD - RTE 129	908	2009
HOWLAN RD – RTE 143	742	2007
JERRY RD - RTE 148	554	2015
JOHN PAUL RD	529	2012
KINSMAN RD	271	2010
KINSMAN RD	605	2011
MILL RD	510	2011
MUTTART SHORE RD	888	2007
NELLIGAN RD – RTE 182	2080	2007
NORTHPORT SHORE RD	361	2009
OLD SCHOOL RD	800	2007
PRIDHAM RD - RTE 154	501	2009
RABBITTOWN RD	250	2011
RTE 102	1425	2010



RTE 104	103	2015
SAMUEL HOLLAND LN	235	2014
SHAW RD	700	2008
SOUTHWEST RD	294	2007

<b>QUEENS COUNTY</b>		
<b>NAME</b>	<b>LENGTH</b>	<b>YEAR</b>
BETHEL RD – RTE 215	1533	2007
CORRIGAN RD	1154	2011
KILKENNY RD - RTE 250	123	2009
MACLAUHLAN RD – RTE 252	678	2009
MILL RD	682	2011
MILL RD	859	2015
NEW ORLEANS RD - RTE 239	416	2009
NEW ORLEANS RD - RTE 239	1445	2010
PORTAGE RD - RTE 218	139	2013
QUEENS POINT RD	587	2011
QUEENS POINT RD	1025	2012
QUEENS POINT RD	774	2015
ROBERTSON RD	1184	2009
ROYALTY JUNCTION RD	266	2011
SHORE RD	108	2016
TORONTO RD - RTE 241	1617	2012
VILLAGE GREEN RD - RTE 272	348	2014

<b>KINGS COUNTY</b>		
<b>NAME</b>	<b>LENGTH</b>	<b>YEAR</b>
CLAY RD - RTE 328	237	2010
GREENFIELD RD - RTE 320	758	2010
SOUTH MONTAGUE RD - RTE 353	788	2007