



ANSWERS TO WRITTEN QUESTIONS
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H. MacDonald
RESPONSE TO AN
ORAL QUESTION
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Question asked by: Peter Bevan-Baker, Leader of the Third Party

Question answered by: Honourable Heath MacDonald

Answer date: April 10, 2018

QUESTION:

- 1) When do you expect to proclaim the *Procurement of Goods Act*?

ANSWER:

The Federal Government asked Provincial Trade and Procurement officials to review and make recommendations to the Agreement on Internal Trade, in light of the Canada EU trade agreement.

A new Canadian Free Trade Agreement came into effect on July 1, 2017.

Knowing a new agreement was in progress, and that Provincial Regulations need to be consistent with Canadian Free Trade Agreement, work on the draft Regulations was delayed. The Regulations are presently in draft form and consultations with government departments are underway.

QUESTION:

- 2) Will the regulations under the *Procurement of Goods Act* require government to publish information on the outcomes of tendering processes?

ANSWER:

One of the obligations of the Canadian Free Trade Agreement is to post notices of award.

The new regulations will include a requirement similar to the one under the Canadian Free Trade Agreement.

Currently, the winning bids are posted to the Provincial Tendering Website after each tender is awarded.

QUESTION:

- 3) Will you commit to a sustainable procurement principles policy in the procurement regulations?

ANSWER:

Government will look at sustainability as part of the current development of the Regulations for the *Procurement of Goods Act*.