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Renner to advance clean energy dialogue in Europe

Mission to London, Strasbourg, Brussels will engage policy makers

Edmonton... Environment Minister Rob Renner will meet with key European groups May 15-21 to discuss Alberta's environmental management practices and how the province is transitioning to a cleaner energy future.

The mission builds on previous discussions, including those at the 2009 United Nations Climate Change Conference in Copenhagen, and supports the advancement of Alberta's clean energy story.

"Alberta's responsible environmental approach must be put in the proper context for those making policy and investment decisions in Europe," said Renner. "We recognize that the world must transition to alternative and renewable energy sources, but we know it isn't going to happen overnight. Our goal is to ensure development in Alberta occurs in the most environmentally-sustainable way, supported by significant investment in technology that will ensure cleaner energy development into the future."

Among the topics Renner will highlight during the mission are Alberta's environmental regulatory framework, clean energy technology investments, and actions to reduce the province's greenhouse gas emissions and overall environmental footprint.

In London, Renner will meet with representatives from the financial community, government, and non-government organizations. In Brussels and Strasbourg, Renner will meet with European Union officials and Members of the European Parliament.

The estimated cost of the mission for Renner is \$4,400.

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Attachment: Minister Renner's itinerary

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Minister Renner's travel itinerary: May 15-21

Saturday, May 15

- Depart for London, United Kingdom

Sunday, May 16

- Arrive London

Monday, May 17

- Investor breakfast with major fund managers
- Policy roundtable with environment and clean energy policy experts (industry, government, academic, and non-governmental representatives)
- Meet with UK government representatives

Tuesday, May 18

- Travel to Brussels, Belgium
- Attend dinner/reception hosted by Canadian Ambassador

Wednesday, May 19

- Participate in policy workshop (industry, academic, European Union, and non-governmental representatives)
- Travel to Strasbourg, France
- Dinner and policy dialogue with members of European Parliament

Thursday, May 20

- Travel to Brussels, Belgium
- Provide keynote address at Canadian-Belgium Chamber of Commerce luncheon

Friday, May 21

- Travel to Alberta

Note: This itinerary is tentative and subject to change.

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