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Renner to advance cross-border clean energy dialogue

Mission to northeastern U.S. will engage policy leaders

Edmonton... Environment Minister Rob Renner will meet with key U.S. policy makers June 13-17 to discuss Alberta's environmental management practices and how the province is transitioning to a cleaner energy future.

"I am proud of Alberta's environmental practices and our efforts to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, and it's critical we share this story directly, particularly in light of the low carbon fuel standard discussions taking place in the northeastern United States," said Renner. "We want to have an open and progressive discussion about climate change, the energy choices we all make as consumers, and how we can work together for a cleaner energy future."

Among the topics Renner will highlight during the mission to Boston, Harrisburg, and Trenton 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 Boston, Renner will meet with representatives from the Northeast States for Coordinated Air Use Management group, state officials, and participate in a low carbon fuel standard forum. In Harrisburg and Trenton, Renner will meet with state legislators and Department of Environmental Protection officials.

The estimated cost of the mission for Renner and one staff member is \$7,000.

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Attachment: Minister Renner's itinerary

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Minister Renner's travel itinerary: June 13-17

Sunday, June 13

- Travel to Boston, Massachusetts

Monday, June 14

- Meet with Northeast States for Coordinated Air Use Management representatives
- Meet with Governor's office representatives
- Meet with Energy and Environmental Affairs and Department of Environmental Protection & representatives
- Attend low carbon fuel standard forum

Tuesday, June 15

- Travel to Harrisburg, Pennsylvania
- Meet with State Senate and Senate Environmental Resources and Energy Committee representatives
- Meet with Governor's office representatives
- Meet with Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection representatives

Wednesday, June 16

- Meet with Pennsylvania House of Representatives members
- Travel to Trenton, New Jersey

Thursday, June 17

- Meet with Governor's office and New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection representatives
- Meet with State Senate representatives
- Meet with New Jersey Assembly representatives
- Travel to Alberta

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