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Minister Evans to meet with U.S. Governors-elect in D.C.

Edmonton... International and Intergovernmental Relations Minister Iris Evans will travel to Washington, D.C. December 1-2 to speak to U.S. Governors and Governors-elect from key states that benefit from oil sands development.

“With the Governors already in the U.S. capital for transitional meetings, we took the opportunity to open the door to dialogue about North American energy security, and the integral role Alberta’s oil sands play in it,” said Evans. “We look forward to establishing relationships with the Governors-elect, while continuing to work with incumbent Governors.”

The Governors’ meeting will be co-hosted by Canadian Ambassador to the U.S. Gary Doer and the Alberta Washington Office.

In 2009, Alberta exported approximately 1.5 million barrels of oil a day to the United States, accounting for 17 per cent of total imports. Alberta supplies more oil to the U.S. than Saudi Arabia and Iraq combined.

On the return trip from Washington, D.C., Minister Evans will attend the annual meeting of the Ministerial Committee on Internal Trade in Saskatoon on December 3. The total cost of travel, accommodation and meals for Minister Evans and her executive assistant is approximately \$3,600.

The Government of Alberta has a clear plan for a strong economic recovery. The Way Forward will trim government spending; use cash reserves to protect key programs; continue to invest in public infrastructure; and ensure our province’s industries are competitive and continue to attract investment to provide jobs and prosperity.

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Backgrounder: Minister Evans’ itinerary

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Minister Evans' general itinerary *

December 1	Travel to Washington, D.C. Meetings with Alberta Washington Office
December 2	Meeting with Governors and Governors-elect Other meetings TBD Travel to Saskatoon
December 3	Annual Meeting of the Federal-Provincial-Territorial Committee of Ministers on Internal Trade Travel back to Alberta

* Note: Itinerary subject to change.

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