



August 10, 2011

Ms. Michelle d'Auray
Secretary of the Treasury Board of Canada
Treasury Board of Canada
140 O'Connor Street
Ottawa ON K1A 0T6

Re: Treasury Board Central Vote 25 – Operating Budget Carry Forward – IR0052

Dear Ms. d'Auray: *Michelle*

I am writing to request information pertaining to the 2008-09 Supplementary Estimates of the Government of Canada. Specifically, the allocation of Treasury Board Vote 25 – *Operating Budget Carry Forward*.

In 2008-09, the closing balance for Treasury Board Central Vote 25 in Supplementary Estimates A was \$1.2 billion. Following this, Supplementary Estimates B reported an allocation of \$1,099,683,843 had been made from TB Vote 25 to various federal organizations, leaving a residual balance of \$100,316,157. However, Supplementary Estimates B lists an opening balance as \$110,514,160; a difference of approximately \$10,198,003. Subsequent to this, Supplementary Estimates C reported the opening balance in TB Vote 25 as \$113,425,999, further change of \$2,911,839.

Overall, there appears to be a cumulative difference of \$13,109,842 between what was *reported as allocated from TB Vote 25* and what was *actually allocated from TB Vote 25*.

I am seeking an explanation for this difference, as well as a list of which organizations were affected by the divergence between reported and actual allocations from TB Vote 25.

This information will be used to assist the PBO in providing independent analysis regarding the Government's Estimates, as mandated in the *Parliament of Canada Act*.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Kevin Page'.

Kevin Page
Parliamentary Budget Officer

PBO Information Request

1) Request Number:	IR0052
2) PBO Contact Name:	Jason Jacques (613-995-3315 or jason.jacques@parl.gc.ca)
3) Type of Request:	One-time
4) PBO Objective:	To reconcile the discrepancy between the closing and opening balances of Treasury Board Vote 25 in FY 2008-09 between Supplementary Estimates A and B, and Supplementary Estimates B and C.
5) Relation to Mandate:	Independent analysis regarding the Government's Estimates, as mandated in the <i>Parliament of Canada Act</i> .
6) Information and Data Requested:	<p>The cause of the \$13 million discrepancy between closing and opening balances of TB Central Vote 25 between Supplementary Estimates A and B respectively, and B and C for 2008-09.</p> <p>A delineation of which organizations were affected by the divergence between <i>reported</i> and <i>actual</i> allocations from TB Vote 25.</p> <p>This data is to be provided electronically.</p>
7) Priority:	Normal
8) Date Request Sent:	August 10, 2011
9) Response Required By:	August 26, 2011