

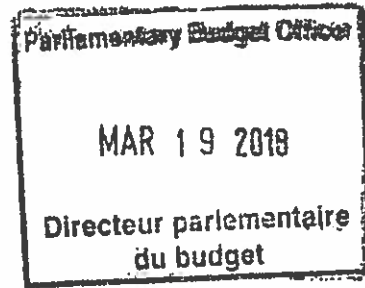


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Dear Mr. Fréchette:

Re: Information Request IR0355

Please see attached, in response to your request dated March 2, 2018 for additional details regarding the supplementary information related to Budget 2018, additional details on the underlying factors contributing to the change from the 2017 Fall Economic Statement in the Direct Program Expense outlook.

Regarding the updated data on the allocation of legacy infrastructure programs, this information is not immediately available. Federal budgets do not provide updates on all program-level funding allocations across departments. As noted in the Fall Economic Statement 2016, existing infrastructure programs included pre-2016 Infrastructure Canada programs as well as a number of programs involving social and green infrastructure. These included programs under CMHC, INAC, Public Safety Canada, Health Canada, ESDC, PHAC, and Canadian Heritage.

In Budget 2018, Table A2.16 showed fiscally significant changes to some pre-2016 infrastructure programs. These programs are:

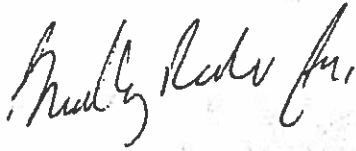
- New Building Canada Fund
- Green Infrastructure Fund
- Building Canada Plan – Provincial-Territorial Infrastructure Base Funding Program
- Building Canada Plan – Building Canada Fund
- Canada Strategic Infrastructure Fund
- Border Infrastructure Fund

Given the nature of this request, the Department of Finance can commit to provide updated data on the allocation of legacy infrastructure programs by April 16 2018,

following consultations with federal departments responsible for managing these programs.

Finally, regarding the data and methodologies for the 2017-18 to 2022-23 fiscal estimates for *Artificial Losses Using Equity-based Financial Requirements* and *Stop-loss Rule on Share Repurchase Transactions*, I understand that Department of Finance officials and officials from your office have agreed that this request will be satisfied through a meeting to take place in the coming weeks.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Nick Leswick".

Nick Leswick

- c. Yaprak Baltacıoğlu, Secretary of the Treasury Board
Katharine Rechico, Assistant Secretary to the Cabinet, Privy Council Office