Supplementary Table for the 2016–17 Departmental Results Report

Federal Sustainable Development Strategy—Target 7.2: Green Procurement

As of 1 April 2014, the Government of Canada will continue to take action to embed environmental considerations into public procurement, in accordance with the federal Policy on Green Procurement.

Approach

The Office of the Auditor General of Canada's approach to implementing green procurement is to do the following, when possible:

- target the use of the procurement instruments of Public Services and Procurement Canada (PSPC), and
- train key management and procurement personnel.

Our main contribution to green procurement has been the influence that our audit work and our recommendations for improvement have had on the actions of federal departments and agencies and Crown corporations.

Management Processes and Controls

The Office's procurement needs are predominantly for commodity goods, such as computers, printers and copiers, office supplies, and furniture; and for professional services, including construction services (at times). For all significant purchases, the Office maximizes its green procurement by taking advantage of PSPC's procurement instruments, such as the National Master Standing Offer or a Departmental Standing Offer. In doing so, the Office achieves the levels of green procurement that have been negotiated by PSPC.

Since the 2010–11 fiscal year, the Office has followed PSPC's Federal Electronic Waste Strategy for electronic and electrical equipment (for example, for the disposal of electronic equipment and appliances, and for the acquisition of ENERGY STAR high-efficiency appliances and equipment).

Performance Measurement Expected Result Environmentally responsible acquisition, use, and disposal of goods and services			
		Performance Indicator	Result
		Approach to further the implementation of the Policy on Green Procurement that the Office has had in place as of 1 April 2014.	The Office has continued with its efforts to further align with the federal government's Policy on Green Procurement.
Number and percentage of specialists in procurement and/or material management who have completed the Canada School of Public Service Green Procurement course, or equivalent.	2 people, or 50%. Two employees who joined the Office in the 2016–17 fiscal year will complete this training in the 2017–18 fiscal year. The team has a position that has yet to be filled.		
Additional Performance Indicators	Result		
Ensure that purchases of paper contain post-consumer fibre; are certified by EcoLogo and processed chlorine-free; are certified by the Forest Stewardship Council as recycled; and are manufactured using biogas energy.	100% of paper purchases		
Ensure that purchases of notebook computers, servers, and software are made through PSPC-consolidated procurement instruments, where available.	100% of purchases		
Ensure that the Auditor General's vehicle (Office vehicle fleet) is replaced using the PSPC National Master Standing Offer, when required. The Executive Vehicle Policy states that executives' vehicles will be hybrid-electric; factory-equipped for natural gas, propane, or E-85 ethanol fuel; or factory-equipped, four-cylinder, with a conventional engine emitting less than 4,200 kg of carbon dioxide emissions per year.	100% of fleet		
Ensure that acquisitions of electronic equipment and appliances are ENERGY STAR-rated high-efficiency.	100% of acquisitions		