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## 1. Context for the Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy

The [2016–2019 Federal Sustainable Development Strategy](#) (FSDS):

- sets out the Government of Canada’s sustainable development priorities;
- establishes goals and targets;
- identifies actions to achieve them, as required by the [Federal Sustainable Development Act](#).

In keeping with the objectives of the act to make environmental decision-making more transparent and accountable to Parliament, the National Film Board of Canada (NFB) supports reporting on the implementation of the FSDS and its Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy, or equivalent document, through the activities described in this supplementary information table.

## 2. Sustainable development in the NFB

Although the National Film Board of Canada is not bound by the [Federal Sustainable Development Act](#) (The Act) and is not required to develop a full departmental sustainable development strategy, it adheres to the principles of the FSDS by implementing the Policy on Green Procurement.

The [Policy on Green Procurement](#) supports the Government of Canada’s effort to promote environmental stewardship. In keeping with the objectives of the policy, the NFB supports sustainable development by integrating environmental performance considerations into the procurement decision-making process through the actions described in the “FSDS goal: low-carbon government” table, below.

## 3. Departmental performance by FSDS goal

FSDS goal: low-carbon government

FSDS target(s)	FSDS contributing action(s)	Corresponding departmental action(s)	Support for UN Sustainable Development Goal target	Starting point(s), target(s) and performance indicator(s) for departmental actions	Results achieved
<p>Reduce greenhouse gas emissions from federal government buildings and fleets by 40% below 2005 levels by 2030, with the goals of achieving it by 2025.</p>	<p>Support the transition to a low-carbon economy through green procurement.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Integrate environmental considerations into procurement-management processes and controls.</li> </ul>	<p>12.7</p>	<p><b>Starting point:</b> Increase lifespan use of office computers.  <b>Target:</b> 100% by April 1, 2016  <b>Performance indicator:</b> Office computers have a minimum average lifespan of four years.</p> <p><b>Starting point:</b> Environmentally responsible disposal of toner cartridges.  <b>Target:</b> 90% by March 31, 2017  <b>Performance indicator:</b> Toner cartridges are recycled at end of life.</p> <p><b>Starting point:</b> Reduce the environmental impact of paper production and be certified to a recognized environmental standard.  <b>Target:</b> 95% minimum by March 31, 2017  <b>Performance indicator:</b> Copy paper, commercial printing, and/or envelope purchases will contain a minimum of 30% recycled content.</p>	<p>Completed and ongoing</p> <p>Completed and ongoing: Empty cartridges are sent back to the supplier. It should be noted that the NFB reduced its total number of printers.</p> <p>Completed and ongoing</p>



## 4. Report on integrating sustainable development

During the 2018–2019 reporting cycle, the NFB had no proposals that required a Strategic Environmental Assessment, and no public statements were produced.

The NFB continued the implementation of the Policy on Green Procurement, which supports the Government's effort to promote environmental stewardship. The NFB took the following steps to reduce its carbon footprint:

- **Office supplies:** All supplies across the organization are ordered against a National Master Standing Offer (NMSO). Deliveries are limited to once a week to reduce carbon emissions. In addition, purchases are centralized. This action resulted in eliminating double purchases and reducing the consumption of office supplies.
- **Equipment purchases:** The NFB uses the Public Services and Procurement Canada and Shared Services Canada consolidated purchasing instruments and relies on the environmental factors incorporated into these standing offers.
- **Energy Efficiency:** Purchases of lighting equipment for filming or other purposes are limited to LED technology that is more energy efficient.
- **Reduced Paper Consumption:** An initiative has been launched to reduce the use and storage of paper documents, resulting in a reduction in the amount of paper consumption and the space required for storage. In preparing for the head office move, during the fall-winter of 2018–2019 the Paperlite project raised staff awareness by offering tips and solutions to reduce the use of paper. This initiative, combined with organizational sorting days, had significant results: during a period of four months (between October and January), the number of photocopies made was reduced by more than 20,000 copies and Xerox usage was reduced by almost half.
- **Collaboration tools:** All employees were provided with collaborative tools (computers, cellphones, cloud services such as Skype for Business, smartphones, videoconferencing, etc.) to improve their ability to work with each other and with external partners from any location. This reduced commuting time and the need for office space.
- **Disposal of equipment:** When disposing of excess material, the NFB promotes methods for reuse, and when destruction is the only method possible, ensures that the measures taken for the recycling of materials and a disposal of materials