

# 2018 Carbon Neutral Action Report

BC Oil and Gas Commission





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The BC Oil and Gas Commission (Commission) is the provincial, single-window regulatory agency with responsibilities for regulating energy activities in British Columbia, including the exploration, development, provincial pipeline transportation, processing and reclamation of oil, gas and geothermal resources. The Commission's core roles include reviewing and assessing applications for industry activities, consulting with First Nations, ensuring industry complies with provincial legislation and partnering with other responsible agencies. The public interest is served through protecting public safety, conserving the environment and ensuring equitable access to natural gas and petroleum resources.

For general information about the Commission, please visit [www.bcogc.ca](http://www.bcogc.ca) or phone 250-794-5200.



Commission office locations and northeast B.C. natural gas resource plays.

### Mission

We provide British Columbia with regulatory excellence in responsible energy resource development by:

- Protecting public safety,
- Safeguarding the environment, and
- Respecting those affected by oil and gas activities

### Vision

Safe and responsible energy resource development for British Columbia.

### Values

- Transparency is our commitment to be open and provide clear information on decisions, operations and actions.
- Innovation is our commitment to learn, adapt, act and grow.
- Integrity is our commitment to the principles of fairness, trust and accountability.
- Respect is our commitment to listen, accept and value diverse perspectives.
- Responsiveness is our commitment to listening and timely and meaningful action.

# Top Three Actions Taken Towards Carbon Neutrality in 2018

1. Replaced two vehicles with more fuel-efficient units in 2018.

2. Continued to utilize the Frequency Operated Button authentication, printer defaults set to duplex and black and white printing, and RightFax system to reduce both paper and printer use.

- Replaced the multi-function printers in the Victoria office and reduced the total number of machines by five.

3. Moved into a new office in Victoria that was designed and operates according to Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Gold standards. The new office space is built in compliance with American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers standards for commercial buildings.

- The size of personal trash bins has been reduced significantly to encourage recycling and composting whenever possible.
- In addition to the shared bike locker existing in the building, a bike storage cage was installed by the Commission to allow for increased commuting by bicycle.



## 2018 Greenhouse Gas Emissions

The Commission emitted 447 tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent (CO<sub>2</sub>e) from sources covered under the Carbon Neutral Government Regulation (CNGR) in the 2018 calendar year.

**Offsets Applied to Become Carbon Neutral in 2018**  
The Commission has purchased 437 tonnes of offsets to achieve carbon neutrality, as required by the CNGR using the web-based reporting system SMARTTool.

## Future Plans for Emissions Reduction Activities

In 2019, the Commission will replace six vehicles in its fleet with more fuel efficient units, and will add one fully electric vehicle to the fleet. Additionally, the Commission will continue to utilize FOB authentication, printer defaults and RightFax systems to reduce GHGs.

Lastly, the Commission will replace the remaining Multi-Function Devices and intends to reduce the fleet by an additional two machines.

## Contact

This is the 10<sup>th</sup> Carbon Neutral Action Report or Small Emitters Form prepared and submitted by the BC Oil and Gas Commission. It was prepared in accordance with the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Targets Act adopted in November 2007 by the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Strategy's Climate Action Secretariat.

This submission is updated annually with new information and statistics. A current copy is available on the Commission website at [www.bcogc.ca](http://www.bcogc.ca). For specific questions or enquiries regarding this report, please contact:

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