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# Standard on the Disclosure of Greenhouse Gas Emissions and the Setting of Reduction Targets

## 1. Preamble

- 1.1 This standard is issued pursuant to the *Policy on Green Procurement*, and is consistent with the *Policy on the Planning and Management of Investments* and the *Directive on the Management of Procurement*.

The objective of this standard is to induce major suppliers to disclose their greenhouse gas emissions and set reduction targets according to the commitments in the *Greening Government Strategy*.

## 2. Effective date

- 2.1 This standard takes effect on April 1, 2023.
- 2.2 Procurements commenced after the effective date are required to apply this standard.

## 3. Standard

- 3.1 This standard provides details on the requirements set out in subsections 7.1, 7.2, and 7.3 of the *Policy on Green Procurement*.
- 3.2 Organizations described in section 3 of the *Policy on Green Procurement* must:
- 3.2.1 Ensure that the process for procurements over \$25 million, including taxes, induces suppliers to measure and disclose their greenhouse gas emissions and adopt a science-based target to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in line with the Paris Agreement as part of participating in the Net-Zero Challenge or in an equivalent initiative or standard.

## 4. Reporting

- 4.1 Organizations described in section 3 of the *Policy on Green Procurement* must:
- 4.1.1 Submit to the Treasury Board of Canada Secretariat, at the time of the annual call letter of the *Greening Government Strategy*:
- The total volume of spending and number of contracts that have applied subsection 3.2.1; and
  - The percentage of contracts over \$25 million, including taxes, for which subsection 3.2.1 applies.

- 4.2 The information submitted according to subsection 4.1.1 may also be used to meet other reporting obligations under the Federal Sustainable Development Strategy.

## 5. Application

- 5.1 This standard applies to organizations described in section 3 of the *Policy on Green Procurement*.
- 5.2 This standard does not apply to:
- 5.2.1 Contractual arrangements;
  - 5.2.2 Procurements using emergency contracting authorities; or
  - 5.2.3 Procurements established through foreign military sales.
- 5.3 This standard does not apply if:
- 5.3.1 It is determined that it is not feasible or appropriate to apply subsection 3.2.1 in the procurement; and
  - 5.3.2 The official responsible for subsection 3.2.1, as named by the deputy head, has approved a rationale justifying why subsection 3.2.1 was not applied in the procurement.
    - 5.3.2.1 The rationale should include evidence why subsection 3.2.1 could not be applied in a procurement, such as evidence that suppliers for a specific procurement are not able to comply.

## 6. Definitions

### **contractual arrangement (entente contractuelle)**

A written arrangement to procure goods, services, or construction, for payment or other appropriate consideration, that is subject to Treasury Board contracting limits, and that is signed by a contracting authority and a representative of one or more government entities, countries or international organizations, or other public entities.

## 7. References

7.1 This standard should be read in conjunction with:

- *Greening Government Strategy*
- *Policy on Green Procurement*

7.2 Related policy instruments:

- *Policy on the Planning and Management of Investments*
- *Directive on the Management of Projects and Programmes*
- *Directive on the Management of Materiel*
- *Directive on the Management of Procurement*

## 8. Enquiries

8.1 Direct enquiries about this standard to your organization's headquarters. For interpretation of this standard, organizational headquarters should contact [Greening-Vert@tbs-sct.gc.ca](mailto:Greening-Vert@tbs-sct.gc.ca).

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