

Energy Supplies Allocation Board

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The Board's responsibility is to study and keep under review all matters relevant to a full understanding of the international petroleum supply situation and to ensure that Canada is fully prepared to meet any petroleum supply emergency with well prepared and timely plans for action.

Minister responsible:

Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources

Environment Canada

Headquarters

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The primary objective of the Department of the Environment is to preserve and enhance the quality of the environment for the benefit of present and future generations of Canadians. Departmental programs are designed to promote the establishment or adoption of objectives and standards relating either to environmental quality or pollution control, to ensure the wise management and use of renewable resources and to provide Canadians with environmental information in the public interest. As well, the Department ensures that new federal projects, programs and activities are assessed early in the planning process for potentially adverse effects on the environment. It also ensures the preservation of nationally significant natural and cultural heritages.

Minister responsible:

Minister of the Environment

Export Development Corporation

Head office

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Regional offices: Vancouver, Calgary, Toronto, Montreal, Halifax.

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Export Development Corporation (EDC) is Canada's official export credit agency, responsible for providing export credit insurance, loans, guarantees and other financial services to promote Canadian export trade. It also arranges credit for foreign buyers in order to facilitate and develop export trade.

Minister responsible:

Minister for International Trade

External Affairs Canada

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The Department of External Affairs has the primary responsibility for the promotion and protection of Canada's interests abroad and the conduct of Canada's relations with other countries. Its main functions are: to ensure the effective representation of Canada in other countries and in international organizations, including close contact, communication and negotiation with other governments and organizations through Canada's extensive network of representatives abroad; to evaluate information about political, economic and other developments likely to affect Canada's interests; to give advice to the government, often in consultation with other departments, on the formulation and implementation of policies and programs with international dimensions; to ensure the co-ordination of the external aspects and application of national policies for export trade promotion, defence and security, development assistance, immigration, and cultural and scientific exchanges; to reflect to peoples abroad the bilingual and multicultural character of Canadian society; and to provide protection and assistance to Canadian citizens abroad.

Minister responsible:

Secretary of State for External Affairs