

Out-of-Province Ministerial Travel and Expenses

(including expenses of participants and general expenses associated with travel)

Ministry	Energy and Resources	
Title of Travel	Energy and Mines Ministers’ Conference	
Location	Quebec City, QC	
Date(s)	August 30-September 1, 2023	
Participants	Honourable Jim Reiter, Minister of Energy and Resources Charles Reid, Chief of Staff to Minister Reiter, Energy and Resources Susanna Laaksonen-Craig, Deputy Minister, Energy and Resources	
Purpose of Travel	To attend the Energy and Mines Ministers' Conference	
Total Travel Expenditures for Participants		
Air Travel (including airfare and airport service fees, baggage fees)		\$2,516.10
Ground Travel (including taxis, car rentals, trains and buses)		\$435.27
Accommodation (including room charges, and all related taxes and fees)		\$2,652.60
Meals (personal per diem meal claims)		\$182.00
Conference & Registration Fees		\$2,170.80
Miscellaneous (including incidentals, parking, temporary cell phone upgrades, fax and internet charges, passport and visa fees, medical and vaccination fees, and other sundry expenditures)		\$192.00
Subtotal		\$8,148.77
General Travel Expenditures		
Business Hosting Expenses (expenses for luncheon and/or dinner meetings hosted by the Government of Saskatchewan, including food, beverages, catering staff, service charges, equipment, and entertainment)		\$0.00
Miscellaneous (Including meeting rooms, translator and interpreter fees, police security, publications, shipping charges, gifts)		\$0.00
Subtotal		\$0.00
TOTAL		\$8,148.77

Overview of Travel and Objectives

The Energy and Mines Ministers' Conference (EMMC) is an annual gathering of federal, provincial and territorial ministers responsible for energy and mining portfolios. At these meetings, ministers discuss shared priorities for collaborative action to advance energy and mining development across the country.

Travel Activity:

The meeting provided an opportunity for the Ministers and Deputies to discuss issues facing the energy and mining sectors and provided a format for discussion of various issues facing provinces and regions. These discussions including indigenous community engagement, improving regulatory systems, Carbon Capture, Utilization and Storage (CCUS) injection sites, biofuels production, wind energy and critical minerals.

Ministers also discussed Canada's competitiveness in the face of the U.S. Inflation Reduction Act (IRA), and the means put in place or to be put in place to respond to it, as well as the participation and contribution of the provinces and territories in the dialogues to which Canada is taking part with its international partners.

In addition to the EMMC sessions, Minister Reiter and his delegation also had side meetings with:

- Jonathan Wilkinson, Minister of Energy and Natural Resources of Canada;
- Brian Jean, Minister of Energy and Minerals, Alberta; and
- Nathan Neudorf, Minister of Affordability and Utilities, Alberta.