

November 7, 2022

Undertaking #45

MPI to advise if PricewaterhouseCoopers reports were part of material presented to the Treasury Board.

RESPONSE:

MPI provided a verbal response at the end of the day on November 3, 2022, advising that PwC reports number 16 and 17 were provided to the Treasury Board. Board Chair Gabor indicated the response answered his question "... *but it contradicts, so we'll talk.*" [transcript page 2476]

The undertaking was asked in the context of the Treasury Board's current review of MPI's 2023/24 budget.

The above mentioned documents were provided to the Treasury Board as part of its review of the Project Nova 2022 Re-baseline. The 2022 Re-baseline was approved by Treasury Board in May 2022.

On the first day of the hearing the following question was asked and answered [transcript 303]:

BOARD CHAIR GABOR: And your -- the final budget, the re-baseline 2022, was approved by the Treasury Board?

MR. ERIC HERBELIN: Yes.

In the confidential hearing, a MPI witness, in response to a similarly worded question, stated that he did not believe that the PwC reports were provided to the Treasury Board [confidential transcript page 166]. To confirm, the witness was unaware of the specific documents that MPI provided to Treasury Board as he was not the person who prepared or submitted the material.