

Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy

1. Overview of the federal government's approach to sustainable development

The [2013–16 Federal Sustainable Development Strategy](#) (FSDS) presents the Government of Canada's sustainable development activities, as required by the [Federal Sustainable Development Act](#). In keeping with the objectives of the Act to make environmental decision making more transparent and accountable to Parliament, the Administrative Tribunals Support Service of Canada (ATSSC) supports the implementation of the FSDS through the activities described in this supplementary information table.

2. Our Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy

This Departmental Sustainable Development Strategy describes the ATSSC's actions in support of Theme IV: shrinking the environmental footprint, beginning with government. The report for 2016–17 presents a high-level overview of results and is the final report under the 2013–16 FSDS. Last year's report is available on the [departmental website](#).

3. Departmental performance highlights

Theme IV: Shrinking the Environmental Footprint - Beginning with Government

Under Theme IV, the ATSSC contributed to the 2013–16 FSDS through three implementation strategies for Goal 7 – Waste and Asset Management.

Target 7.2: Green Procurement

As of April 1, 2014, the Government of Canada will continue to take action to embed environmental considerations into public procurement, in accordance with the federal Policy on Green Procurement.

Performance Measurement

Performance Indicator	Performance Level Achieved
Expected Result: Environmentally responsible acquisition, use and disposal of goods and services.	
Departmental approach to further the implementation of the Policy on Green Procurement in place (as of April 1, 2015)	Achieved
Number and percentage of specialists in procurement and/or material management who have completed the Canada School of Public Service Procurement course or equivalent, in 2016-17	Achieved 5 procurement specialists - 100% complete in 2016-17

	<i>Specialists who completed the course in previous fiscal years and are with the Department at the end of the fiscal year do count towards this total.</i>
Number and percentage of managers and functional heads of procurement and materiel whose performance evaluation includes support and contribution toward green procurement, in 2016-17	Achieved 1 manager - 100% complete for 2016-17
Departmental Green Procurement Target: By March 31, 2017, 65% of furniture purchases will include criteria to reduce the environmental aspect associated with the production, acquisition, use and/or disposal of furniture.	
Departmental Green Procurement Target: By March 31, 2017, 70% of office supplies, excluding acquisition card purchases, will include criteria to reduce the environmental aspect associated with the production, acquisition, use and/or disposal of those supplies.	
The value of furniture purchased that meet the target relative to the total value of furniture purchased	Exceeded 85% of the total value (\$318,188.49) of furniture purchased in 2016-17 meets the target.
Departmental Green Procurement Target: By March 31, 2017, 65% of audio visual equipment and services purchased will include criteria to reduce the environmental aspect associated with the production, acquisition, use and/or disposal of those supplies.	
The value of audio visual equipment and services that meets the target relative to the total value of audio visual equipment purchased.	Exceeded 100% of the value (\$50,770.91) of audio visual equipment purchased in 2016-17 meets the target.
Implementation strategy element or best practice:	
7.2.1.5. Leverage common-use procurement instruments where available and feasible	Achieved Common-use Public Service and Procurement Canada procurement vehicles are used where they meet ATSSC requirements for goods and services.
Best Practice 7.2.3. Train acquisition cardholders on green procurement	Achieved The acquisition card training material in the ATSSC includes green procurement.
Best Practice 7.2.4. Increase awareness of the Policy on Green Procurement among managers	On track to implementing this best practice. Upcoming information sessions with ATSSC staff will include green procurement.

4. Report on Strategic Environmental Assessment

During the 2016–17 reporting cycle, the ATSSC considered the environmental effects of initiatives subject to the [Cabinet Directive on the Environmental Assessment of Policy, Plan and Program Proposals](#), as part of its decision-making processes. As the ATSSC did not develop any initiatives that required a Strategic Environmental Assessment, no related public statements were produced.