



News Release

Tax relief measures available to Canadians affected by Hurricane Igor

Ottawa, Ontario, September 23, 2010... The Honourable Keith Ashfield, Minister of National Revenue, Minister of the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency and Minister for the Atlantic Gateway, stated today that the Canada Revenue Agency's (CRA) tax relief measures are available to taxpayers affected by Hurricane Igor in Newfoundland and Labrador.

"The CRA is sensitive to the fact that some individuals and businesses in Newfoundland and Labrador may encounter financial difficulties as a result of Hurricane Igor," said Minister Ashfield. "We know that people are primarily concerned with protecting their homes and communities from damage, and as a result may not be able to immediately attend to tax obligations they may have. I would like to take this opportunity to remind those affected that the CRA has taxpayer relief provisions in place for this type of situation."

Any affected individual or business unable to meet their tax obligations because of Hurricane Igor should contact the CRA to apply for taxpayer relief. Requests are considered by the CRA on a case-by-case basis. Taxpayers can make a taxpayer relief request by completing **Form RC4288 Request for Taxpayer Relief**, or by writing to their **local CRA office**. They will need to provide specific information to support their request.

Affected individuals who have any questions or concerns regarding these measures should contact the CRA at 1-800-959-8281. Businesses and self-employed individuals should call 1-800-959-5525.

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