

Government of Northwest Territories

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## Oral Question 9-20(1) Home Heating Rebates

This letter is in follow-up to the Oral Question you raised on February 6, 2024, regarding the amount of tax revenue being collected from home heating oil use in the Northwest Territories (NWT).

Our records indicate that the total carbon tax revenue from heating oil sales to NWT residents, small businesses, and community governments is \$6.3 million for the fiscal year 2022-2023. The carbon tax collected from home heating oil cannot be separated from total carbon tax revenues from heating oil because carbon tax is collected based on fuel type, not fuel user. Heating fuel sales to large emitters, however, are excluded from this amount.

In 2022-2023, carbon tax revenue from heating oil sales was rebated in full at the point of sale and so the \$6.3 million in total carbon tax revenue from home heating diesel oil sales was returned in full to residents, small businesses, and community governments. This 100 per cent heating fuel rebate was provided to residents in addition to the Cost-of-Living Offset benefit, which totaled \$10.9 million in 2022-2023.

Carbon tax revenue for 2023-2024 will not be available until the year-end reconciliation is completed.

Thank you.

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