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Transportation Standing Committee February 24, 2022

TO:	Chair and Members of the Transportation Standing Committee	
SUBMITTED BY:	ORIGINAL SIGNED	
	Krista Vining, Acting Deputy Clerk	
DATE	February 11, 2022	
SUBJECT:	Requests for Presentations to the Transportation Standing Committee	

Information Report

ORIGIN

Section 45 (4) of Administrative Order #1, The Procedure of the Council Administrative Order. (4) The Clerk shall include in the information agenda for each regular meeting of the Council a report listing the presentations considered by Agenda Review and the disposition of the request

Date of Request(s)	Name of Delegation(s)	Disposition of Request(s)
None		

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Report Prepared by: Krista Vining, Acting Deputy Clerk, Office of the Municipal Clerk, Phone: 902.223.1046

From: <u>Vining, Krista</u>

To: Mason, Waye; Kent, Becky

Subject: Fwd: Heritage Gas Request to Present to the HRM Transportation Standing Committee

Date: Monday, December 20, 2021 9:42:52 AM

Attachments: Heritage Gas Request to Present to HRM Transporation Standing Committee.pdf

From: Office, Clerks <clerks@halifax.ca>

Sent: Monday, December 20, 2021 7:39:08 AM

To: Vining, Krista <viningk@halifax.ca>

Subject: FW: Heritage Gas Request to Present to the HRM Transportation Standing Committee

Presentation Request being logged for TSC.

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From: Derek Estabrook

Sent: Friday, December 17, 2021 5:30 PM **To:** Office, Clerks <clerks@halifax.ca>

Cc: Derek Estabrook

Subject: [External Email] Heritage Gas Request to Present to the HRM Transportation Standing

Committee

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Attached is a request by Heritage Gas Limited to present at an upcoming meeting of the Transportation Standing Committee.

Thank you for your consideration,

Derek Estabrook

Derek Estabrook, MBA

Vice President, Business Development

Heritage Gas Limited

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December 15, 2021

Office of the Clerk Halifax Regional Municipality PO Box 1749 Halifax, NS B3J 3A5

RE: REQUEST TO PRESENT TO THE TRANSPORTATION STANDING COMMITTEE

Heritage Gas Limited is writing to request an opportunity to present at the January 27, 2022 meeting of the Transportation Standing Committee, or at the earliest available date, to provide information on the potential role for hydrogen fuel cell electric vehicles to help HRM and Halifax Transit achieve their net-zero emissions targets.

HRM's HalifACT 2050: Acting on Climate Together plan set a target of net-zero municipal operations by 2030, including the electrification of Halifax Transit vehicles. On May 26, 2020, Regional Council approved an Electric Bus Proposal to reduce greenhouse gas emissions as well as operating costs for Halifax Transit by converting Halifax Transit buses to a low-carbon or zero-emission fleet. The Proposal set a goal to electrify more than 200 buses (over 50 per cent of the fleet of 350 buses) by 2028. In addition to battery electric buses, the conversion of part of Halifax Transit's fleet to fuel cell electric buses may be the best pathway to achieve HRM's net-zero municipal operations target.

Over 3,400 fuel cell electric buses are in service today in the United States, Europe, and China. Hydrogen fuel cell buses use the same electric drivetrain as battery electric buses and offer the benefits of longer range, especially in cold weather, and a fill time of only 6-12 minutes compared to 4-6 hours for battery electric buses.

In September, 2021, HRM provided a letter of support for Heritage Gas' proposed low-carbon hydrogen project to the NRCan Clean Fuels Fund. The hydrogen facility would be located near Halifax Transit's Burnside bus garage and could start suppling hydrogen for use in fuel cell electric buses in 2025.

Sincerely,

Derek Estabrook Vice President, Business Development HERITAGE GAS LIMITED

