



## MEDIA BRIEFING PGAIR PROGRESS REPORT

September 29, 2010

The Prince George Air Improvement Roundtable (PGAIR) is pleased to report on matters discussed at its September 28, 2010 evening meeting.

### 1. Proposed Provincial Framework on Air Quality Objectives

Natalie Suzuki from the Ministry of Healthy Living and Sport provided a status update via teleconference regarding the framework being developed. The framework is an outline of the general approach to objective-setting, and provides a guide as to how decisions will be made. The framework is expected to be completed in 2011.

### 2. Phase III Plan Development

The primary goal of the Phase III Plan will be to achieve the fine PM emission reduction targets adopted by PGAIR in January 2009, namely to meet the new provincial ambient PM<sub>2.5</sub> objectives and to have a reduction on all significant emission sources. On Saturday September 25, 2010 a PGAIR working group met to review all subcommittee recommendations. PGAIR will continue towards development of the Phase III Plan, which is scheduled to be finalized by November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

*For more information, please visit the PG AIR website at [www.pgairquality.com](http://www.pgairquality.com).*

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*PGAIR Society is a group of volunteers representing a broad spectrum of the community; including the public, government, industry, Northern Health, UNBC, PACHA, commercial and transportation sectors. PGAIR is working towards continuous improvement of the air quality within the Prince George air shed, and coordinates various programs and communication initiatives in support of this effort. PGAIR also coordinates research and provides science-based recommendations reached by consensus to various stakeholders and decision-making bodies to help improve air quality.*