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Downstream Petroleum Trade Sector Review

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- Team members
- Sector description and flowcharts
- Preliminary meetings with stakeholders
- Project issues
- Next steps





Downstream Petroleum Sector includes:

- All trading activities from the refinery or gas processing plant down to, but excluding retail trade
- Refineries, gas processing plants, wholesalers and distributors of refined petroleum products and pressurized liquids such as gasoline and diesel fuels, blended fuels, blended oils and greases, aviation fuels, lubricating oils, coke, paraffin waxes, asphalt, propane, butane, ethane, pentanes, and other residual oil products
- All terminal and bulk meter systems, vehicle mounted meter systems for commercial applications, ship, aircraft, and railcar loading/unloading measurement systems, and pipeline systems



Downstream Petroleum Sector does *not* include:

- Retail gasoline, diesel or propane dispensers or other retail meter systems, light aircraft and small marina dispensers, card or keylock truck refuellers
- Vehicle mounted meter systems for residential (consumer) heating oil or propane applications
- Pipeline custody transfer meters for unrefined (crude oil) petroleum products

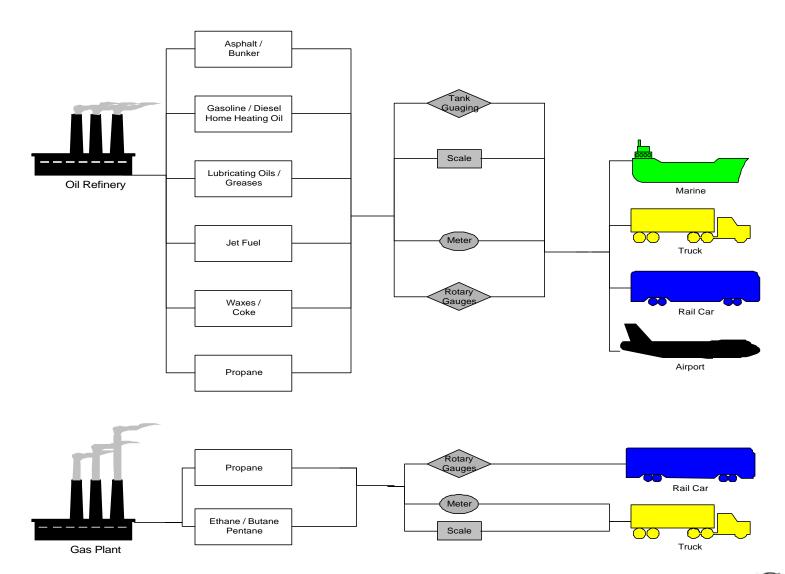




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Some Stakeholders We've Met With to Date

- Many major and independent petroleum companies and their associations
- Propane companies and their regional and national associations
- Gas processing plants
- Pipeline companies
- Third party inspection/testing companies
- Aviation and railcar companies
- Other industry associations

Purpose of the meetings - to inform stakeholders of the project; obtain information on the industry structure, metrological controls, discuss possible ASD options; to obtain feedback to assist in drafting the sector discussion paper

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Preliminary Stakeholder Feedback

- There may be less intervention required at the upper levels of the sector and more intervention required at the lower (closer to the consumer) level
- Identify discrete subsectors within the downstream sector (Upper level, Lower level, Propane, Aviation, and Residual Products)
- Create working groups within the sub sectors to facilitate the consultation process
- Has allowed the team to propose a level of intervention for consideration in the next round of meetings



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Project Issues

- Complexity and scope of this trade sector may require different levels of intervention for each subsector
- Ensuring that all stakeholders have informed views and that vulnerable parties are adequately represented
- Maintaining continuity and stakeholder interest to ensure project is completed within reasonable time frames
- Ensuring that the sector recommendations are implemented within a reasonable time frame



Next Steps

Discussion Paper

- Preliminary draft to be reviewed by some clients in November
- Final draft to be issued in December/January 2001
- Available in hard copy mail out; via e-mail; and the Measurement Canada web site at http://mc.ic.gc.ca
- Next Round of Meetings
- Will begin in the new year with individual sub sectors (Propane, Aviation, etc.) in January-April 2001
- Appropriate levels of intervention to be determined for each subsector
- Final report on the sector to be prepared for MC senior management review by July of 2001



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