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## **GROUP 1: ASIC 200 - Canada and Climate Change: What Now?**

Kyoto protocol is going to end next year – Canada has already dropped the ball; there is no point for Canada to approaching it anymore. Canada has to go into the next climate conference with a concrete goals and more civic engagement. We need to go into it with a list of concrete things we are willing to do, be realistic. Commit to putting more money into renewable energy research. Subsidizations from the federal government to the Alberta oil sands should be removed. Canada should reduce Greenhouse gas emissions by a minimum of 1.5% of current emissions yearly, ultimately decreasing 15% of the country's emission from year 2012 by 2020. The federal government should have the key role in setting regulations regarding greenhouse gas emissions and set incentive based policies for institutions cutting down their greenhouse gas emissions. Any governmental institutions reducing greenhouse gas emissions should be monetary rewarded. Government should fund environmental advertisement, raise public awareness, invest in early sustainability education, give provincial subsidies for efficiency in public transit, implement higher taxation on oil sand corporations and use this taxation for environmental subsidies. Implement small subsidies for things such as replacing appliances for more energy efficient ones. Implement carbon tax on any corporation in proportion to

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how much greenhouse gases emitted. Federally funding to universities to conduct environmental reviews on emissions for major corporations; or, corporations are required to submit annual emission data; where random audit will be assigned, and corporations will be fined heavily when caught being dishonest.