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*The main objective of this session will be to provide the public with an overview and opportunity to discuss the **CEC Work Program**. Key members of the CEC Secretariat staff will be present to respond to questions and engage in the discussion.*

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**Provisional Agenda**

**Friday September 15, 2006**

- 8:00-9:00 Registration of participants – *Salon Verriere*
- 9:00–9:10 Welcome and opening remarks by JPAC Chair, Carlos Sandoval  
a) Approval of the provisional agenda
- 9:10–9:15 Report from the National and Governmental Advisory Committee representatives.
- 9:15-9:30 Update on Submissions and Enforcement Matters by Geoffrey Garver, Director, Submissions and Enforcement Matters Unit
- 9:30 – 9:45 Update on the Article 13 Report on Green Building in North America by Timothy Whitehouse, Head of Law and Policy Program
- 9:45 – 10:00 Break
- 10:00-10:15 Presentation on the **CEC Work Program** by Doug Wright, Director of Programs
- 10:15 – 11:05 Information for decision-making
- Tracking releases and transfers in North America
  - North America Monitoring and Assessment
  - Mapping North American environmental issues
  - Reporting on the State of the North American Environment
- 11:05 – 12:25 Trade and the Environment

- Building Capacities for Integrated Ecosystem Management and to Conserve Critical Species and Spaces
- Guidelines for risk assessment on invasive alien species and their pathways
- Promoting the North American Renewable Energy Market
- Encouraging green purchasing
- Harnessing Market Forces for Sustainability
- Ongoing Environmental Assessment of NAFTA

12:25–13:30 Lunch (provided) – *Salon Victoria*

13:30 –13:50 Enforcement of environmental laws

- Trade and Enforcement of Environmental Laws
- Strengthening Wildlife Enforcement Capacity

13:50 – 14:20 Environmental Management

- North American regional action plans (NARAPS) and future directions
- Improving Private and Public Sector Environmental Performance
- Supporting automotive sector environmental performance in North America

14:20 – 14:30 Break

14:30 – 15:15 Discussion and Question Period

15:15–16:00 Discussion on a potential advice to Council on the *CEC Work Program*

16:00–16:30 JPAC follow-up and Administrative Matters

- Follow up on the Workshop on Renewable Energy
- Next JPAC Meeting in Cancun, Mexico
- Discussion of 2007 JPAC Priorities and other Meetings
- Status of Canadian Appointments

16:30–17:00 Observers' comments

17:00 End of the session