The Honourable Joe Oliver
Minister of Natural Resources
Eglinton–Lawrence (Ontario)



Joe Oliver was elected to the House of Commons for the first time in May 2011.

He was appointed Minister of Natural Resources on May 18, 2011. Under this portfolio he is responsible for **Earth Sciences, Energy, Forests, Minerals & Metals.**

Prior to his election to Parliament, Mr. Oliver had a career in the investment banking industry. He began his investment banking career at Merrill Lynch, and served in senior positions at other investment dealers and as Executive Director of the Ontario Securities Commission. He was then appointed President and Chief Executive Officer of the Investment Dealers Association of Canada. He also played a prominent role as Chair of the Advisory Committee of the International Council of Securities Associations and as Chair of the Consultative Committee of the International Association of Securities Commissions. A graduate of the Directors Education Program at the Rotman School of Management, he was also a member of the Canadian Institute of Chartered Business Valuators and sat on the board of the Canadian Securities Institute Research Foundation.

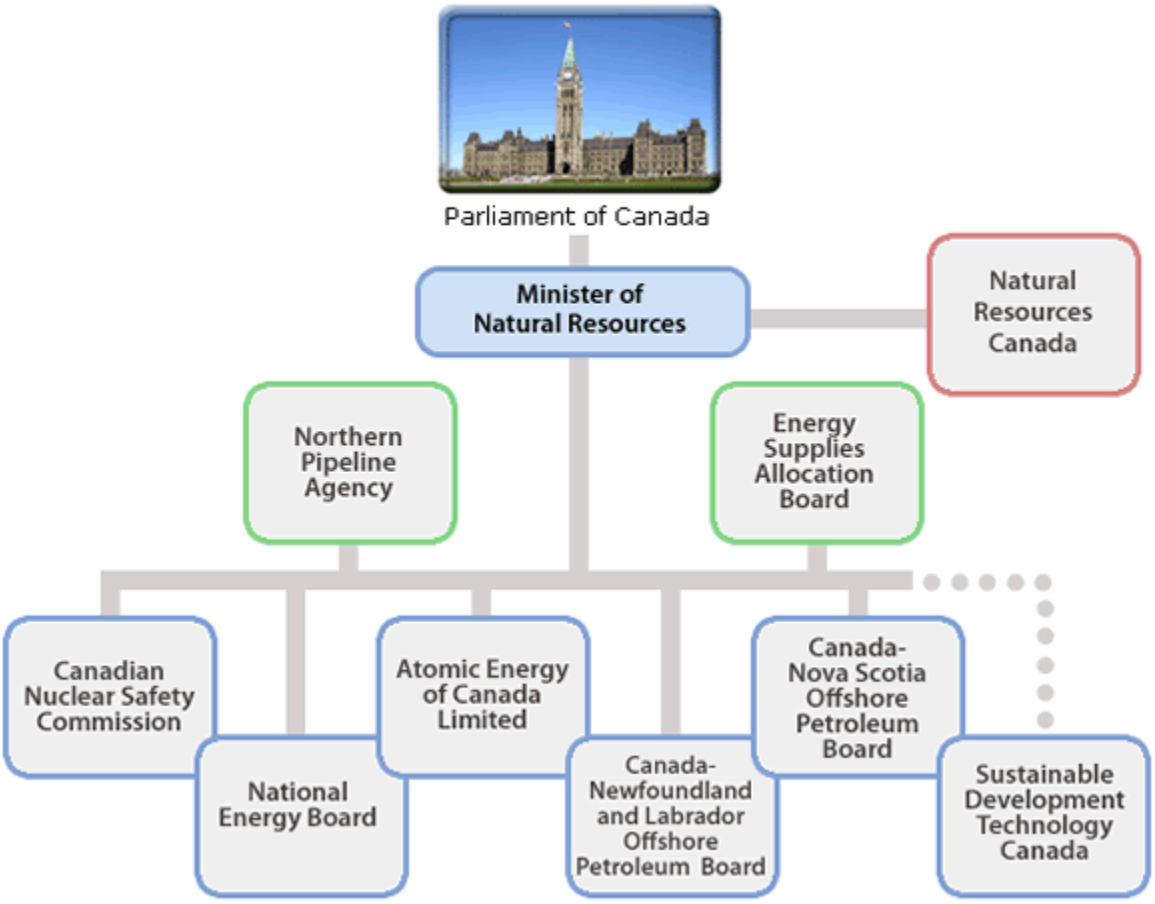
Mr. Oliver is an active member of his community and volunteers for various charities in Canada and abroad. He served as Chair of the Prostate Cancer Research Foundation of Canada for four years, and as a member of the Board of Mount Sinai Hospital.

Mr. Oliver obtained both his Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Civil Law at McGill University. He was called to the Quebec Bar and later graduated with an MBA from the Harvard Graduate School of Business.

The Natural Resources Portfolio

Within the Government of Canada, Minister Joe Oliver is responsible for the activities of the Department of Natural Resources Canada (NRCan). In his capacity as Minister, he also has responsibility for the Natural Resources portfolio, which includes the following:

- **Atomic Energy of Canada Limited** (AECL);
- **National Energy Board** (NEB) and the **Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission** (CNSC);
- Offshore petroleum boards: the **Canada-Newfoundland and Labrador Offshore Petroleum Board** (CNLOPB) and the **Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Board** (CNSOPB);
- Renewable Energy Portfolio: **Sustainable Development Technology Canada** (SDTC); and
- **Energy Supplies Allocation Board** (ESAB) and the **Northern Pipeline Agency (NPA)**.



While each portfolio agency has a unique mandate, organizational form, reporting regime and corporate culture, they all share some important goals, including service to Canadians, service to the Minister, and accountability to Parliament. The Minister's specific relationship vis-à-vis each agency varies according to statute, though normally it includes such things as:

- reporting to Parliament on behalf of the institution;
- recommending board appointments to the Governor in Council;
- approval of Treasury Board submissions; and
- making recommendations to the Governor in Council.

NRCan has a responsibility to create a sustainable resource advantage for Canadians – now and in the future. Attaining this vision requires collective efforts on the part of all stakeholders in natural resources from coast to coast. Each portfolio agency plays an important and unique role to help ensure a strong resource future for Canadians through promoting growth, competitiveness and environmental leadership.