



OVERVIEW

The Fall Economic Statement includes many pro-manufacturing measures that will stimulate investments in M&E and help Canadian exporters. More needs to be done on labour, skills, corporate tax reform however.

CME WINS

- Enhanced Accelerated Capital Cost Allowance (ACCA) to match US changes
- Regulatory modernization
- Expansion of the Strategic Innovation Fund
- Incentives for clean energy investments
- Money to help SME exporters
- Mentorship networks for exporters
- Harmonization of interprovincial trade

REPRESENTATION

HIGHLIGHTS: 2018 FALL ECONOMIC STATEMENT

DIRECT SUPPORT FOR MANUFACTURING INVESTMENT

- Full cost of machinery and equipment used in the manufacturing and processing of goods to be written off immediately at 100%
- The cost of machinery and equipment will be eligible for a full tax write-off in the year it is put into use in the business
- Immediate expensing will apply to qualifying assets acquired after November 20, 2018. This benefit will be gradually phased out starting in 2024
- Government will introduce the Accelerated Investment Incentive to encourage businesses of all size and across all sectors to make capital investments
- Government will introduce immediate expensing for clean energy investments

EXPORT DIVERSIFICATION AND SUPPORT

- \$1.1B for an Export Diversification Strategy to increase exports by 50% by 2025.
- Increased funding for CanExport and Trade Commissioner Services
- \$10M over 3 years to support SME export readiness and capacity
- \$13.5M over 5 years to create SME mentorship programs

STREAMLINING REGULATIONS & INTERPROVINCIAL COMMERCE

- Government will encourage regulators to reassess how regulations are set and to make economic competitiveness a key concern
- Commitment to work with all provinces to harmonize regulations and encourage trade

EXPANSION OF STRATEGIC INNOVATION FUND

\$800M to be added to the Strategic Innovation Fund over 5 years