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NATIONAL BANK AWARDED FIRST CARBON CARE(TM) CERTIFICATION

National Bank is proud to have received the first Carbon Care(TM) certification with the carbon-neutral recognition, awarded by [Enviro-access](#).

National Bank's Building Engineering and Sustainable Development Manager, André Longpré, declares: "The Bank has been working hard at reducing emissions for five years. A first global greenhouse gas (GHG) inventory painted a detailed picture of our emissions and allowed us to target our emissions reduction actions. Ten concrete measures have since been implemented, and we chose to compensate our residual emissions by buying carbon offsets from Sobeys Quebec."

Enviro-access: a GHG validation and audit firm

As North American businesses become increasingly aware of the important role they play in [GHG emissions reductions](#), Enviro-access is launching its new certification: Carbon Care(TM).

The Carbon Care(TM) certification is aimed at private companies as well as financial institutions, academic institutions, and other public organizations.

The basic and the carbon-neutral recognitions

Carbon Care(TM) certification offers two levels of recognition: basic and carbon-neutral. The basic recognition attests that the organization has carried out an inventory of its GHG emissions in compliance with ISO standard 14064-1 and that it has provided tangible proof of initiatives undertaken to reduce GHG emissions. The second level of certification, the carbon-neutral recognition, is awarded to organizations that have, additionally, offset all direct and indirect energy GHGs quantified in their inventory.

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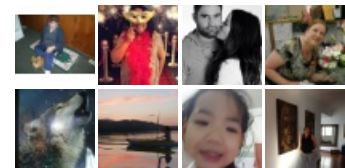
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