

# Sustainability & Transportation: A Customer's Perspective

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- MEC Facts/About Us
- SUSTAINABILITY + TRANSPORTATION:
  - Why this is important to us
  - What we've measured
  - What we've found
  - What we are (trying) to do about it





- Outdoor retail cooperative
- 200+ million in revenue
- 2.3 million members
- 11 stores across Canada
- 1 in 10 adult Canadians is a member of our cooperative
- Members in over 140 countries





## Where Our Products Come From

- MEC Brand Come from 19 Countries:
  - 51% Canada
  - 23% Vietnam
  - 22% China

- Non-MEC Brand Come from 52 Countries:
  - 27% US
  - 23% China
  - 14% Canada

- > DISTRIBUTION CENTRE IN RICHMOND, BC
- > In-Bound = Truck + Rail + Sea + Air
- > Out-Bound = Truck











## Why is this important to us?

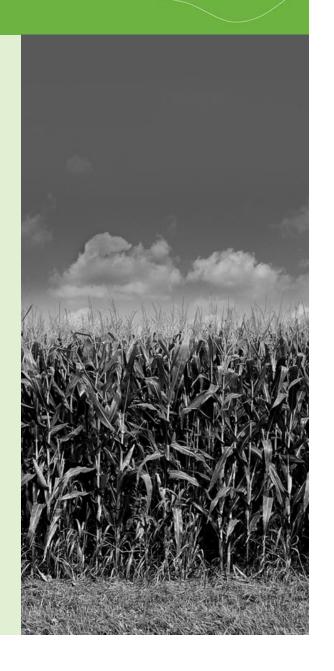
- Business imperative: Changing climate = changing alpine.
- Brand Differentiator: Our Values = more that a gear company.
- Cost Effectiveness: Fuel efficiency = lower costs



## What are we doing about it?

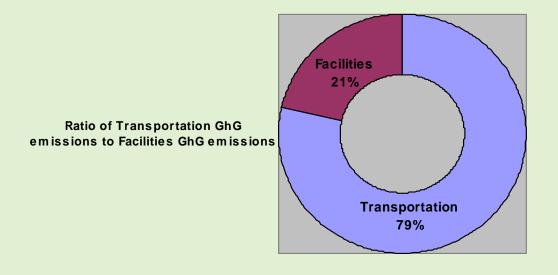
#### Research and Measurement:

- STEP 1: Studied Best Practice in Transportation/Shipping and Environmental Practices (2004/05).
- STEP 2: Created Baseline GhG Emissions Footprint for all logistics impacts (2005/06).





#### What did we find?



□ Transportation
■ Facilities

#### 2005 TOTAL GHG EMISSIONS OF INBOUND + OUTBOUND LOGISTICS:

- WRI GHG PROTOCOL CALCULATOR = 5517.4 METRIC TONNES
- MEC GHG EMISSIONS CALCULATOR = 4375.6 METRIC TONNES



### **Now What?**

- Looking to supply chain for solutions.
- Looking at 3<sup>rd</sup> Party Initiatives (e.g. Green Fleet Accreditation).
- Looking to our own processes (e.g. identifying redundant ordering/PO's from product managers).
- ➤ GOAL: To reduce transportation GhG emissions by 5% in 2006.





## Resources:

www.mec.ca/sustainability www.ghgprotocol.org www.greenbiz.com

