

**Crown–Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada DETAILED ACTION PLAN**  
**Audit of Protecting Canada’s Food System**

Report Ref. No.	OAG Recommendation	Departmental Response	Description of Final Expected Outcome/Result	Expected Final Completion Date	Key Interim Milestones (Description/Dates)	Responsible Organization/ Point of Contact (Name, Position, Tel #)	Indicator of Achievement (For Committee Use Only)
	<p>Crown–Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada should systematically collect pre-subsidy prices for all eligible food items under the Nutrition North Canada subsidy program to allow assessment of the extent to which the program is achieving its objective of making food more affordable in the eligible communities.</p>	<p>Agreed. For the Nutrition North Canada retail subsidy program, Crown–Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada commits to working directly with registered retailers to collect pre-subsidy prices for all eligible items. The Department will engage with retailers directly to obtain this new subset of data, working collaboratively on how best to make this transition. The Department will also review and amend the contribution agreements for retailers to include an additional clause that pre-subsidy prices are to be submitted to the program with their monthly subsidy claims. The Department’s projected timeline to implement this recommendation is end of fiscal year 2022–2023.</p>	<p>Registered retailers who currently provide pricing data to the program to collect and submit pre-subsidy prices on all eligible items to the program will be consistent with the data collection and submission clauses as set out in the contribution agreements.</p>	<p>March 31, 2023</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Engage with the registered retailers who currently submit pricing data to provide formal written notice of the new requirement to provide pre-subsidy pricing data to the program (Completion Date: April 1, 2022)</li> <li>2. Engage with registered retailers to understand the feasibility and possible challenges in providing additional data (Completion date: July 1, 2022)</li> <li>3. Review the contribution agreement template and amend to include additional clause(s) that outline a recipient’s commitment to submitting monthly pre-subsidy pricing data. (Completion Date: April 2022)</li> <li>4. Amend all active contribution agreements to include additional clause(s) related to pre-subsidy data collection. This will apply to program recipients who currently report on pricing. (Completion Date: October 1, 2022)</li> <li>5. Complete necessary changes to IM/IT systems to allow for the import, storage and processing of additional data including the modification of the reporting system (BDS) (Completion Date: December 1, 2022)</li> <li>6. Pre-subsidy data from recipients begins to be reported to the program. (Completion Date: April 1, 2023)</li> </ol>	<p>Stephen Jacobsen, Operations Manager, (819) 210-1736</p>	