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The Office of the Procurement Ombudsman has released a report on procurements valued under \$25K.

by Claude Dubois

Sustainability research and action

Announcing a research project on sustainability – large in scope due to the level of activity globally within the supply management disciplines. Some of Canada's efforts are detailed as well.

by Larry Berglund

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FROM THE EDITOR

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I hope you find the articles presented in this online edition of *Summit* enjoyable.

Procurement is nothing if not interesting, as things change daily and practitioners come up with new and/or better ways to do things.

I want to welcome three new members to the editorial advisory board: Kevin McGuinness, whom many of you know already from the pages of this magazine as well as his books, papers and legal work; David Knight, from the Government of the Yukon and a serving director of the Canadian Public Procurement Council; and Gerald Ford, a long time practitioner of procurement. Their counsel and expertise are a welcome addition.

The first print edition for 2011 of *Summit* magazine will be on your desks this spring. It focuses on green procurement... without ignoring other aspects of procurement! We will notify you by email of its release. Please consider asking a friend to subscribe to the magazine. Both the print and online editions are free to qualified personnel.