



# **Deregulation Progress Report**

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Presentation to Cabinet

March 14, 2003

Minister of State for Deregulation



# New Era Commitment

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- Cut red tape and reduce regulatory burden by one-third within three years
- Baseline Count: 382,129 regulations
- Target for 2002/03: 12 percent reduction across government



# Deregulation Framework

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- Regulatory Count
- Regulatory Reform Policy
- Three-Year Deregulation Plans
- Public transparency and accountability



# Ongoing Reforms

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- **Oil and Gas Streamlining**

- Eliminated unnecessary applications
- Bigger single window

- **Mining Streamlining**

- Eliminated duplication
- Streamlined approval systems
- Less paperwork



# Reforms - Continued

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- **Land Management**

- Tailored environmental assessment
- Cut application times in half

- **Employment Standards**

- Flexibility for modern workplace
- Simplified rules
- Fairness for workers and employers



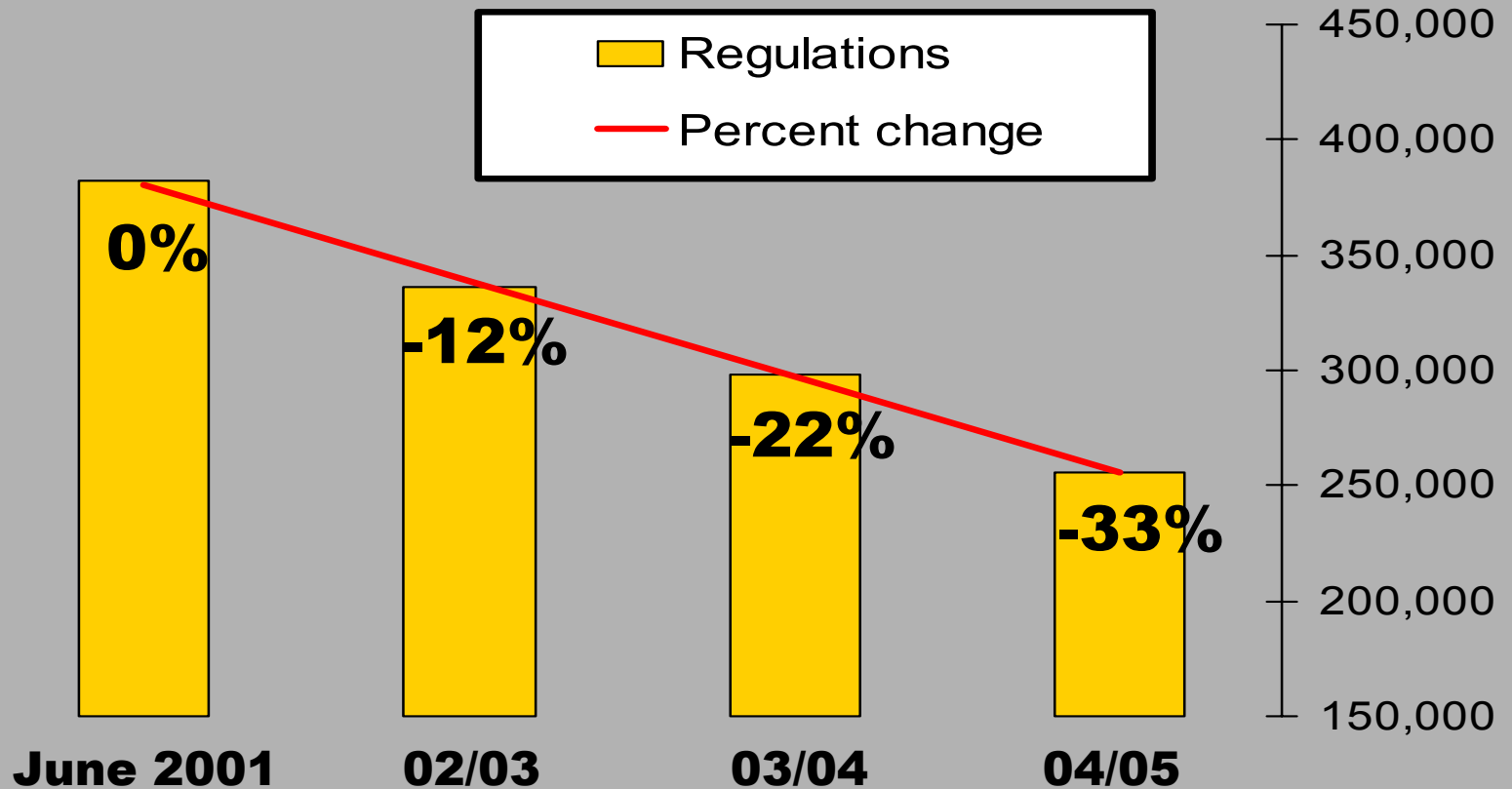
# Progress to March 14, 2003

- Eliminated over **52,000** unnecessary regulations
- Net reduction **42,150**
- **5 -for-1** replacement ratio



# On Track

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# Priorities

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- **Major reforms underway**
  - Results-based forest regulation
  - Securities deregulation initiative
  - Overhaul of waste management act
  - Trades and Post-secondary education
  - Oil and Gas Sector competitiveness initiative
- **Ongoing Culture Change**
- **Goal: BC Leader in Regulatory Reform**





# Summary

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- Regulatory reductions on track
- Continued effort:
  - Cut red tape across government
  - Improve regulation design AND enforcement
- Ensure existing and new regulations are effective and result-driven



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