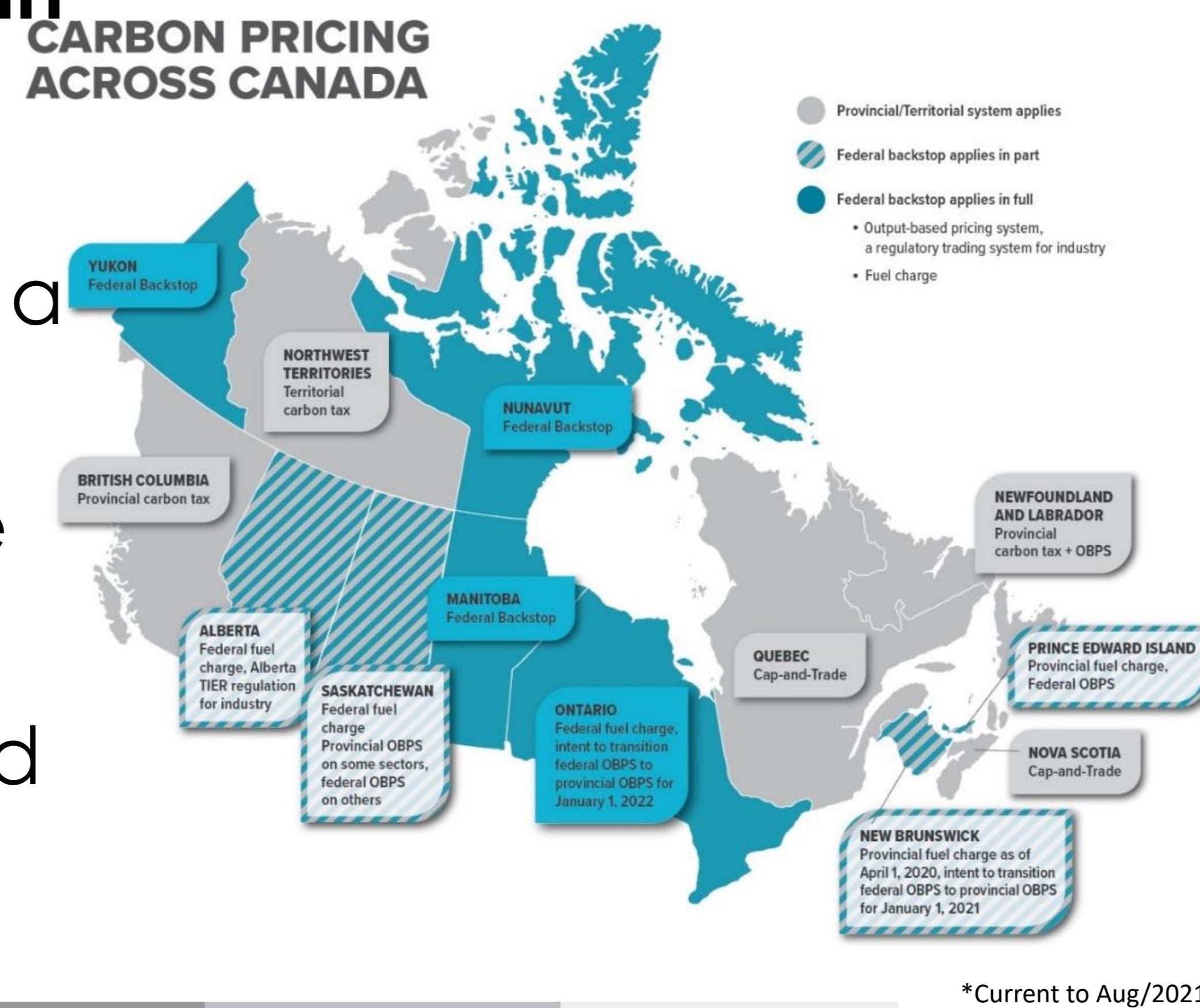




Output Based Pricing System Environment and Climate Change Canada

Carbon Pollution Pricing Systems in Canada

The Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing Act in Canada established a federal carbon pollution pricing system. The federal pricing system has two parts: a regulatory charge on fossil fuels like gasoline and natural gas, known as the fuel charge, and a performance-based system for industries, known as the Output-Based Pricing System (OBPS)¹.

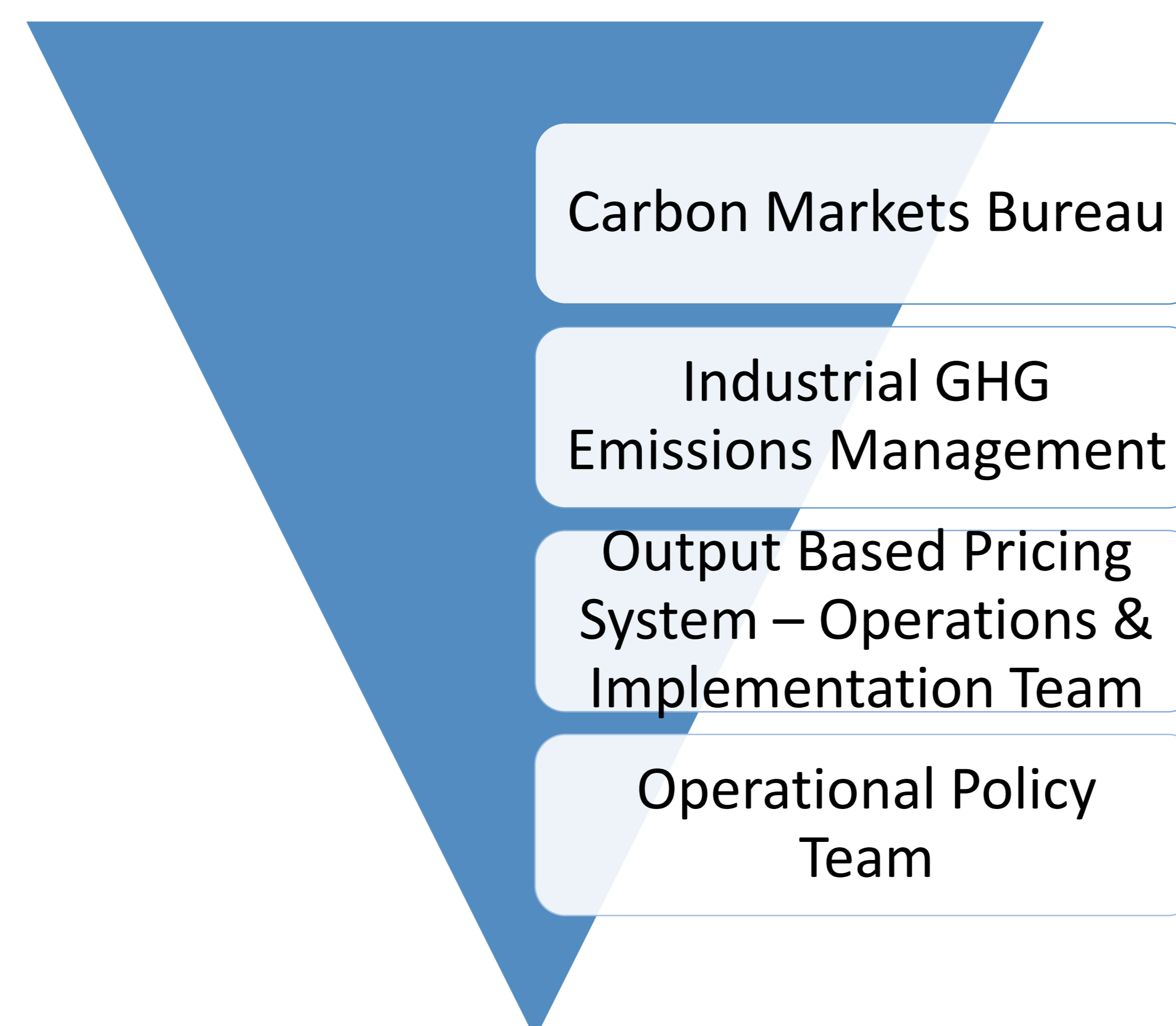


Output Based Pricing System for Industry

The OBPS applies where provincial or territorial programs don't meet stringent federal benchmarks requirements on pollution, or where carbon pricing plans don't exist². The OBPS intends to provide an incentive for industrial emitters to try to reduce their GHG emissions³.

Operational Policy Team

The Carbon Markets Bureau's (CMB) Industrial GHG Emissions Management (IGEM) team developed and implemented Canada's Federal Carbon Pricing System, the OBPS. The Operational Policy team is responsible for strategy, planning and administration of the system.



Tina Elliott | Operations and Policy Analyst Intern

Purpose:

- The internship was designed to gain exposure to government policy, the operationalization of regulations, and the administration of government programs.

Key Takeaways:

- Collaboration is central to government work, from regulatory amendment packages to process tools and documentation.
- Focusing on the intended impact of your work is crucial to achieving successful outcomes.

Major Projects

- Assisted with the development an implementation plan designed to ensure resources and focus is outlined, and is used for ministerial approval of regulatory packages for the standing down of the federal backstop program in Ontario and New Brunswick. The plan assists with managing program risks and supports successful implementation of the regulation, and includes internal performance success measures.
- Developed program monitoring dashboards and metrics to align with the implementation plan, reporting, and program performance to evaluate actual to expected outcomes.
- Assisted with development of internal guidance documents for operational IT systems to clarify and improve roles, responsibilities, and functions within the team.
- Developed system monitoring tools to track downtimes from system incident or issues, which will assist with quicker resolution turnaround based on service level agreements and improve internal business continuity of service to regulatees.
- Helped improve internal workflow management for addressing and providing responses to regulatee inquiries to the program team through improved system configuration and set up.
- Co-led system level meetings with senior departmental stakeholders for IT and business system design with a focus on improving program effectiveness and supporting forward planning for upcoming programs.