

3rd Annual

# ABORIGINAL ENERGY FORUM

December 1 – 2, 2009 | Hyatt Regency Toronto on King | Toronto



Hear about recent developments in electricity, hydropower, renewable energy and sustainable development that are increasing aboriginal participation in energy projects. Discover how stakeholders are overcoming the challenges and embracing the benefits of these projects.

**Conference highlights include:**

- The FIT Aboriginal adder
- Capacity building for Aboriginal energy projects
- Requirements of obtaining approvals for renewable energy projects under the new *Green Energy Act*
- Carbon cap and trade and carbon financing for Aboriginal energy projects
- Aboriginal loan guarantee and support for Aboriginal communities
- Financing Aboriginal renewable energy projects – myths, pitfalls, successes
- Opportunities for renewable energy projects on-reserve and traditional lands
- Piecing the partnership puzzle together
- Enabling Aboriginal energy projects through transmission lines
- Remote communities' electrification initiatives and opportunities

*and much more...*

**PROGRAM CO-CHAIRS**

**Michael Fox**

*President, Fox High Impact Consulting*

**Sandra A. Gogal**

*Partner, Miller Thomson LLP*

**KEYNOTE ADDRESSES**



**The Honourable  
George Smitherman** (tentative)

*Deputy Premier and  
Minister of Energy and  
Infrastructure, Ontario*



**The Honourable  
Brad Duguid**

*Minister of Aboriginal  
Affairs, Ontario*



**Clint Davis**

*President and Chief Executive Officer  
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We are pleased to invite you to **Insight's 3rd Annual ABORIGINAL ENERGY FORUM**.

For this two-day conference, Insight has developed a forum that provides timely information on recent developments in the renewable resource sectors that are engaging Aboriginal participation in energy and economic development projects.

In addition, you will benefit from ample opportunities to discuss and to share best practices with others involved in the energy business. Networking luncheons, informal breaks and question periods after each session will give attendees the opportunity to address their questions and to establish important industry contacts. The conference materials prepared by the speakers will also be a valuable resource for future reference and use.

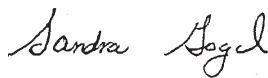
Don't miss the opportunity to hear about key issues and initiatives in energy projects that are affecting the economic development potential for Aboriginal communities.

We look forward to your attendance and participation at this timely event!

Yours truly,



**Michael Fox**  
President  
Fox High Impact Consulting



**Sandra A. Gogal**  
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- The program will have most direct appeal to:
- Senior Executives, Directors, Managers and In-house Counsel from:
    - Electric, Utilities and Energy Companies
    - Independent Power Generators and Service Companies
    - Independent Power Producers
    - Renewable Energy Companies
  - Federal and Provincial Government Officials and Representatives:
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    - Business Development
    - Sustainable Development
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8:00 | 8:55

Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:55 | 9:00

Welcoming Remarks from Insight

9:00 | 9:10

Co-Chair's Opening Remarks

**Michael Fox**

*President*

*Fox High Impact Consulting*

9:10 | 9:35

Keynote Opening Address: *Green Energy Act*

**The Honourable George Smitherman** (tentative)

*Deputy Premier and Minister of Energy  
and Infrastructure, Ontario*

9:35 | 10:30

Ontario's Feed-In Tariff – Empowering  
Aboriginal Communities

**Michael Lyle**

*General Counsel and Vice President*

*Legal, Aboriginal & Regulatory Affairs*

*Ontario Power Authority (OPA)*

- The FIT Aboriginal adder
- Aboriginal capacity building
- OPA's consultations with Aboriginal peoples

**Cherie Brant**

*Associate*

*Gardiner Roberts LLP*

- Opportunities for empowering Aboriginal communities
- Legal considerations for Aboriginal proponents when partnering under the FIT program
- Attracting private equity partners and managing business relationships

10:30 | 10:45

Networking Coffee Break

10:45 | 12:00

Streamlining Approvals for Renewable Energy  
Projects in the Aboriginal and Métis Communities  
– One Project, One Process

**Paul Evans**

*Assistant Deputy Minister*

*Environmental Programs Division*

*Ministry of the Environment*

The presentation will focus on the requirements of obtaining approvals for renewable energy projects under the new *Green Energy Act* and discussion will include: consultation requirements, natural and cultural heritage requirements, the role of setbacks as well as technology specific requirements.

**Jennifer Keyes**

*Manager, Renewable Energy*

*Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources*

- Accessing Crown land for the purpose of renewable energy project development
- How approvals work under the streamlined approvals process
- Coordinated provincial approach to project approvals and consultation going forward

12:00 | 1:00

Networking Luncheon

1:00 | 1:30

Keynote Luncheon Address

**The Honourable Brad Duguid**

*Minister of Aboriginal Affairs, Ontario*

1:30 | 2:45

Carbon Cap and Trade and Carbon Financing  
for Aboriginal Energy Projects

**Barbara Hendrickson**

*Partner*

*McMillan LLP*

**Paul H. Manning**

*Partner*

*Willms & Shier Environmental Lawyers LLP*

- Treatment of renewable projects under state, provincial, regional, Canadian and US federal systems for offset systems
- On grid/off grid – who gets the credits in Ontario?

- Legal issues related to developing carbon offset projects in Aboriginal communities
- The effect of government funding programs on carbon credit entitlement
- Financing opportunities and structures for Aboriginal carbon projects

2:45 | 3:00

### Networking Refreshment Break

3:00 | 4:15

### Aboriginal Loan Guarantee and Support for Aboriginal Communities

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#### Michael Reid

*Director Strategic Project Finance Branch  
Ontario Financing Authority (OFA)*

- Budget 2009 announcement of \$250 million loan guarantee program
- Key program objectives:
  - facilitate Aboriginal equity participation in renewable generation
  - facilitate transmission projects and address energy infrastructure challenges

#### Hillary Thatcher

*Manager, First Nation and Métis Policy & Partnerships  
Ministry of Energy and Infrastructure*

- Commitment to First Nation and Métis participation in energy development
- Programs to support participation
- Moving forward with implementation under the GEA

4:15 | 4:45

### Financing Aboriginal Renewable Energy Projects

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#### Jacques L. Huot

*Vice President  
Corpfinance International Limited*

Project finance on reserve:

- Market conditions
- Engaging with the lender
- Myths and pitfalls
- Successes

4:45

### Conference Adjourns for the Day

WEDNESDAY | DECEMBER 2, 2009

8:15 | 9:00

### Continental Breakfast

9:00 | 9:15

### Co-Chair's Opening Remarks

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#### Sandra A. Gogal

*Partner  
Miller Thomson LLP*

9:15 | 10:15

### Capacity Building for Aboriginal Energy Projects

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#### Paul Norris

*President  
Ontario Waterpower Association  
Aboriginal Community Waterpower Capacity Survey*

- Defining "capacity"
- The knowledge continuum
- Evaluation and assessment of community preparedness
- Piecing the partnership puzzle together

#### Kris Stevens

*Ontario Sustainable Energy Association  
Aboriginal Community Capacity Building Initiative*

The presentation will focus on the opportunities for Aboriginal Peoples as promoters, proponents and partners in local renewable energy initiatives.

10:15 | 10:30

### Networking Coffee Break

10:30 | 12:00

### Opportunities for Renewable Energy Projects On-Reserve and Traditional Lands

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#### Mitchell Diabo

*Ursa Major S.P.*

Renewable energy opportunities for diesel dependent communities:

- Hybrid solutions
- Key challenges – case examples

**Chris McKay**  
*W.C. McKay Consulting Services*

Solar power for Aboriginal communities:

- Canada and solar resources – what you think you know
- How we relate to southern Germany... on the solar scale
  - solar thermal
  - solar thermal and the far north
  - solar hot water
  - solar P.V.
- Solar P.V. on First Nation lands – working together as a community
- Large scale to roof tops
- Fast growing communities and the need for proper community and building engineering

**Marvin Pelletier**  
*mPower North*

On-reserve Commercial Development:

- Challenges of First Nation community engagement
- Developing with non aboriginal partners
- Constructing on reserve lands

**12:00 | 1:00**  
**Networking Luncheon**

**1:00 | 1:30**  
**Keynote Luncheon Presentation**

**Clint Davis**  
*President and Chief Executive Officer*  
*Canadian Council for Aboriginal Business*

- Aboriginal participation in the Green Energy Movement:
  - benefits
  - challenges
  - the real economic benefit for now and the future

**1:30 | 2:45**  
**Enabling Aboriginal Energy Projects**

**John Murphy**  
*Executive Vice President, Hydro*  
*Ontario Power Generation Inc. (OPG)*

This presentation will provide an insight on OPG's overall approach to partnering with Aboriginal communities on new hydroelectric projects.

**Lee-Anne Cameron**  
*Director, First Nations and Metis Relations*  
*Hydro One Networks Inc.*

This presentation will cover an overview of the structure of the transmission business in Ontario, objectives that are driving the development of new transmission in the province, and some of the key projects and activities that are likely to be undertaken during the next few years. The presentation will also focus on the government's interest in increasing the involvement of First Nations in the electricity sector, and outline Hydro One's actions with respect to fulfilling this objective.

**2:45 | 3:00**  
**Networking Refreshment Break**

**3:00 | 4:15**  
**Enabling Aboriginal Energy Projects (Continued)**

**Joe Gaboury**  
*Chief Executive Officer,*  
*Five Nations Energy Inc.*

The presentation will focus on the benefits and challenges in First Nation experiences with owning a transmission line.

**Stephen Lindley**  
*Vice President, Aboriginal and Northern Affairs*  
*SNC-Lavalin Inc.*

Remote communities' electrification initiatives and opportunities:

- Initiatives to connect remote communities in northern Ontario
- Opportunities for Aboriginal business involvement
- Where do we go from here

**4:15 | 4:30**  
**Closing Remarks by Co-Chairs**

**4:30**  
**Conference Ends**

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November 24-25, 2009 | Calgary

