
Seminar and AGM Tomorrow!

SFU Harbour Centre - Sauder Industry Room

9:00 am to 3:30 pm - Seminar

3:30 pm to 4:30 pm - AGM

4:30 pm - 7:00 pm - Wine and Cheese!

Registration is available at the door (with a cheque).

IPPBC Forum and AGM held on June 14, 2005.

IPPBC held their AGM yesterday, which began with an Energy Minister's Luncheon and Task Force Panel Forum. Minister Neufeld spoke on the growing BC economy and IPP activity. He made reference to the Energy Plan creation and its action items, and what has been accomplished in the short time frame.

MLA Barry Penner gave a presentation on the Alternative Energy Task Force, the objectives of the vision document, the current work being undertaken by Project Manager PS Reilly, and the recommendations that will be made this fall to cabinet. Ocean energy does remain prominent in Task Force's vision, and through participation in this process, we can make sure its a part of BC's Energy future.

PS Reilly of the Centre for Smart Energy is currently organising discussion groups and panels to help steer the recommendations that will be made in regard to the Vision Document. These discussion groups will be formed of representatives of the broad energy spectrum, and will remain small to ensure quick progress.

SDTC Public Meeting

Third Annual Public Meeting at the Ottawa Marriott Hotel
100 Kent Street (Kent at Queen); Wednesday June 22, 2005.

Public Meeting: 16:00 to 18:00 hrs., RSVP not required. For any questions, contact 2005publicmeeting@sdtc.ca, by telephone at 613-234-6313 ext 246 to Adam McLivenna.

On June 29th, Pollution Probe will be hosting a public forum on "Electricity Options for a Coal-Free Ontario".

The speakers are: Peter Love, Ontario's new Chief Energy Conservation Officer; Pierre Fortin, Canadian Hydropower Association; Lino Luison, Enbridge Gas Distribution; Steve Coupland, Canadian Nuclear Association; Ken Ogilvie, Pollution Probe; and Mary Pattenden, Pollution Probe.

Time: 6:30 to 9:00 pm, Wednesday, June 29, 2005.

Location: Toronto Marriott Downtown Eaton Centre, Room C and D, 525 Bay Street, Toronto. Admission is free and registration is not necessary. For further information, please contact Julie Green at 416-926-1907 ext. 246 or jgreen@pollutionprobe.org.

PBS Show on Ocean Energy in California

Independent Natural Recourses, Inc. (INRI) is pleased to announce a PBS television show called California Connected has produced a show on ocean energy in California. They spent 8 hours with INRI's team in Northern California. The show is scheduled to air on all the PBS stations in California on Friday June 17th. (Click on this link <http://californiaconnected.org/wp/airtimes.php> for show times and stations in your area.)

For those of you not located in PBS coverage area click on the link below to watch the show, after it has aired, via the Internet.

<http://www.californiaconnected.org/wp/archivespage2005.php?m=2005>

Report: "An Electricity Supply Strategy for the UK" by the Council for Science and Technology

'Government should consider incentives to increase the level of investment and training by the electricity industry, with public investment to be targeted towards development of new and renewable fuel sources, concludes the Council for Science & Technology in its report, 'An Electricity Supply Strategy for the UK.' The analysis highlights the need for "large-scale non-carbon electricity generators" to meet national targets for carbon reductions by 2020.

"Wind power alone will not achieve this goal," it notes. "Suitable technologies include nuclear and tidal generation and these options should be further assessed and progressed to the point they could be executable, if deemed appropriate, as soon as possible."

<http://www2.cst.gov.uk/cst/reports/files/energy/report.pdf>

Australia: "\$100M RENEWABLE ENERGY PROGRAM 'REDI' TO GO"

"Mr Macfarlane said the initiative, which is administered jointly by the Department of Industry Tourism and Resources and the Department of the Environment and Heritage, delivered on a key commitment set out in the 2004 Energy White Paper. "Renewable energy technology plays an important role in our energy mix and is a key element of Australia's overall greenhouse response in the energy sector. "REDI will support renewable energy projects from early stage R&D right through to commercialisation – helping to develop an internationally competitive renewable energy industry in Australia," he said. Renewable energy technologies are defined as direct or enabling technologies developed for the purpose of deriving sustainable energy. This can be derived from the sun; wind; geothermal; biomass (not fossil fuels); hydro systems; wave, tidal and ocean energy; or any other renewable energy source approved by the Australian Greenhouse Office."

<http://minister.industry.gov.au/index.cfm?event=object.showContent&objectID=58FDB6CF-65BF-4956-B1740E381B7B3614>

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