

Growing Wind Energy in Atlantic Canada: Cooperative Solutions for Regional and Export Opportunities

Moncton, New Brunswick
September 22 & 23, 2010

DAY 1 – WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 22

- 7:30 *Registration Opens (Continental Breakfast)*
- 8:30 – 9:00 *Welcome / Opening Remarks*
- *Sean Whittaker, VP Policy, CanWEA (confirmed)*
 - *The Honorable Jack Keir, Minister of Energy for New Brunswick (confirmed)*
- 9:00 – 10:30 **Session 1. Policy Context for Wind Development**
What forums and policies exist now to facilitate greater wind integration? What forums are needed to make this happen? Speakers will present work on initiatives such as NEGECP, Atlantic Energy Gateway etc.
- 10:30 – 11:00 *Break*
- 11:00 - 12:30 **Session 2. Opportunities and Challenges for the Atlantic Region**
Speakers from the Atlantic region will be talking about the opportunities each sees for wind and the most significant challenges they face.
- 12:30 – 13:30 *Lunch*
- 13:30 – 15:00 **Session 3. Transmission and Integration**
This session will look at ways that more wind can be integrated on the electricity system, and what new transmission is needed to facilitate higher wind penetrations. Presentations will examine the following questions: Can we make better use of the existing transmission system? What are the key bottlenecks and work underway to resolve them? What might a future “Atlantic-Wide Coordinated Grid” look like and what would its benefits be from a wind integration perspective?
- 15:00 – 15:30 *Break*
- 15:30 – 17:00 **Session 4. Accessing Export Markets (or “Accessing Regional Markets”)**
This session will look at the challenges around accessing export markets and outline some of the solutions to address these. What are the market operation barriers? What are the access barriers (e.g. local-source RPS requirements)? What are the off taker requirements? What is the role of the regulator (provincial and national)?
- 17:00 – 18:30 *Networking Reception*

DAY 2 – THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 23

7:30 *Registration Opens (Continental Breakfast)*

8:30 – 10:00 **Session 5. Building Support for Wind and Transmission**
This session will look at ways that community support can be mobilized for new wind projects (particularly those destined for export) and the new transmission projects that will help to integrate and export these wind farms.

10:00 – 10:30 *Break*

10:30 – 12:00 **Session 6. Roundtable Discussion on Solutions and Next Steps**
Roundtable that brings together different perspectives to identify next steps to realize Atlantic wind potential.

12:00 – 13:00 *Lunch*

13:00 *End of Event*