

IESO Regional Electricity Forum Agenda

East
Ontario

November 16, 2017

Ottawa Conference and Event Centre, 200 Coventry Road, Ottawa, ON

8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Registration/Breakfast

8:00 a.m.

Welcome and Greetings

9:00

- Bob Monette, Deputy Mayor, City of Ottawa
- Chuck Farmer, Director, Stakeholder & Public Affairs, Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO)

The Evolving Provincial Electricity System

Ontario's Evolving Electricity Sector: Keynote Address

9:15

- Michael Lyle, Vice President, Legal Resources and Corporate Governance, IESO

Electricity is evolving from a centralized generation and delivery model with a few key players to a decentralized system where consumers and communities are seeking greater self-sufficiency and engagement in electricity decisions. The keynote address will identify these key changes and explore what they mean for customers, communities and stakeholders.

The Local Perspective: Planning for Today and Tomorrow – Panel Discussion

9:35

- Moderator: Chuck Farmer, Director, Stakeholder & Public Affairs, IESO
- Bob Chow, Director, Transmission Integration, IESO
- Guillaume Paradis, Director, Distribution Engineering, Hydro Ottawa
- Robert Reinmuller, Director, System Planning, Hydro One Networks
- David Short, Director, Power System Assessments, IESO

Learn how electricity operations and planning for the provincial system, as well as regional and community needs are shaping the system for the future.

Break

10:35

The Power to Connect: Advancing Customer-Driven Solutions – How empowered customers and changing technologies will advance the make-up of traditional local distribution companies

11:00

- Brian Wilkie, Vice Chair, Electricity Distributors Association & President and CEO, Niagara Peninsula Energy

Brian will discuss how the changing electricity landscape is encouraging local distribution company transformation to become more customer-centric and how consumers are at the forefront of this change.

Ontario’s Long-Term Energy Plan and the IESO’s Implementation Plan 11:30

- Sunita Chander, Director, Distribution and Agency Policy Branch, Ministry of Energy
- Chuck Farmer, Director, Stakeholder & Public Affairs, IESO

The Ministry of Energy will share highlights of the newly released Long-Term Energy Plan (LTEP) which sets the policy framework for Ontario’s energy sector. The IESO will discuss the draft LTEP Implementation Plan and outline how customers, communities and stakeholders can get involved.

Lunch and Networking

12:00 p.m.

The Local Perspective

The Local Evolving Electricity System: Keynote Address 1:00

- Jim Keech, President & CEO, Utilities Kingston

Hear about Utilities Kingston’s experience within the evolving electricity sector. What does provincial electricity policy mean at the local level, what are they hearing from their customers, how are they demonstrating innovation, and what are they doing to prepare for the future?

Spotlight on Local Innovation 1:30

- Jane Donnelly, President and CEO & Mary Hellingman, CDM Manager, Ottawa River Power Corporation

Mary and Jane will describe how collaboration with one of its largest electricity consumers, KI Canada, led to the development of a robust energy management strategy. Learn how their strategic focus on customer engagement led to KI’s continuous participation in the Save on Energy conservation programs.

Break 2:00

Engagement at the Local Level: Panel Discussion 2:25

- Moderator: Carrie Aloussis, Senior Manager, Customer, Stakeholder and Community Engagement, IESO
- Mike Fletcher, Project Manager, Building Engineering and Energy Management, City of Ottawa
- Sally McIntyre, Founder, McIntyre Solutions
- Wes Johnston, Vice President, Canadian Solar Industries Association

A discussion about how electricity can be harnessed to support the growth, resiliency and vibrancy of communities and businesses across Ontario. How do we keep the electricity conversation going? What should the discussion look like at the local level? Who should lead these discussions?

Keeping the Conversation Going: A Table Discussion

3:25

After hearing and reflecting on the discussions throughout the day, each table will discuss a key concept they learned and a concept they would like to learn more about. The IESO will take these comments into consideration for future local engagements and report these back through the meeting summary notes.

Forum Wrap-Up

3:45

- Cynthia Chaplin, Director, IESO Board of Directors

A summary of key observations and themes emerging from the forum and a discussion of next steps.

Adjournment

4:00
