

Regulatory Key Topics Meeting Montreal, Quebec, January 26 - 28, 2020

P R O G R A M

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2020

Hotel: InterContinental Montreal, 360 Saint-Antoine Street West, Montreal, QC

6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.	Reception Chez Plume InterContinental Montréal
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7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Dinner and Round Table Discussion for Regulators and Staff Chez Plume
	Topic: Round Table Discussion with CAMPUT Member Chairs
	Description: An informal round table discussion with the Chairs about recent decisions, proceedings, and issues of relevance to other CAMPUT members.
	Moderator: Scott Mackenzie, Chair and Chief Executive Officer, Prince Edward Island Regulatory & Appeals Commission
	Participants: All of the Chairs attending the RKT Meeting

MONDAY, JANUARY 27, 2020

Régie de l'énergie, Place Victoria, 800 rue du Square Victoria, 2nd Floor, Montréal, QC

8:00 a.m.	Breakfast Régie Salle Marc-Aurèle Fortin Sessions in the Cornelius Krieghoff Room
8:30 a.m. ~	Welcome: Trena Grimoldby, Commissioner, Canada Energy Regulator and Scott MacKenzie, Chair
8:45 a.m.	and Chief Executive Officer, Prince Edward Island Regulatory & Appeals Commission

8:45 a.m. –	Session 1 ~ NERC Reliability Standards and Regulatory Issues
10:15 a.m.	
	Description: We have a significant vested interest in the reliability and resilience of the North American Bulk electric system and many of us have the responsibility to adopt and oversee reliability standards and to conduct compliance and enforcement activities. We must also be mindful of their resulting costs to ratepayers and industry. As challenges such as cybersecurity and complexity of operations increase, we are faced with requests to increase utility spending and must consider the adequacy of risk management strategies. Coordinating our efforts and coworking with others who share a common goal can help us manage this risk and minimize costs to stakeholders. This panel will discuss the benefits and plan to utilize our federal government's cybersecurity knowledge and coordination capabilities to ensure that we are adequately informed. Further, the panel will discuss the importance of opening a dialogue with our American regulatory counterparts at FERC to better inform ourselves of the work undertaken within the US to inform regulators, oversee and participate in shaping the NERC mandate, monitoring costs and ensuring planning and conducting standard setting processes.
	 Speakers: David Morton, Chair and CEO, British Columbia Utilities Commission Kristine Bienert, Executive Director - Energy Supply, MRS and Compliance, British Columbia Utilities Commission Laurentia Dumistrescu, Specialist, Reliability Surveillance, Régie de l'énergie de Québec Bill Mertikas, Renewable and Electrical Energy - Energy Sector, Natural Resources Canada
10:15 a.m. –	
10:13 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.	Coffee Break Régie Salle Marc-Aurèle Fortin
10:30 a.m. –	Session 2 ~ Cyber Security in Utility/Energy Regulation
11:30 a.m.	Description: Natural Resources Canada will provide an update on the activities under way to enhance the cyber and energy security of Canada's critical energy infrastructure. As the lead federal department responsible for addressing cyber security in the energy sector, Natural Resources Canada is advancing work with other federal departments, provinces, industry, and international partners to address a broad range of cyber security issues that are challenging the Canadian industry and government. Speakers:
	• Ian Homer, Compliance and MRS Manager, Compliance and MRS, British Columbia

Adam Paulsen, Deputy Director, International Cooperation, Natural Resources Canada

Utilities Commission

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Session 3 ~ Legal Update

Description: A discussion of current important legal decisions that impact regulators. The Program will be updated to include the cases to be presented in advance of the conference. Stay tuned for more information on this popular session.

Speakers:

- Audrey Boctor, Partner, imk avocats advocates
- James Sidlofsky, Senior Legal Counsel, Ontario Energy Board

12:30 p.m. – 1:15 p.m.

Lunch | Régie | Salle Marc-Aurèle Fortin

1:15 p.m. ~ 2:30 p.m.

Session 4 ~ Québec Update – Régie de l'énergie

Description: An update on the state of affairs in Quebec, including the impact of the 2030 Quebec energy policy on Régie mandates (regulatory treatment of charging stations for electric vehicles and various initiatives in the natural gas sector, among others), the tariffs for blockchain use and the impending legislative changes to energy regulation in the province.

Speakers:

- Jocelin Dumas, Chairman and Commissioner, Régie de l'énergie de Québec Will speak on the impact of the new Quebec Energy Policy on Régie work over recent years.
- Cyril Michaud, Economist, Régie de l'énergie de Québec Will speak on regulatory treatment of the charging stations for electric vehicles.
- Georges Lambert, Economic Regulation Specialist, Régie de l'énergie de Québec Will speak on the inclusion of environmental indices as part of the quality of service indices.
- Charles-Philippe Saint-Pierre, Economist, Régie de l'énergie de Québec Will speak on tariffs for blockchain use.

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3:00 p.m.	

Coffee Break | Régie | Salle Marc-Aurèle Fortin

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3:00 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

Session 5 ~ Ethical Intelligence

Description: Understanding ethics is not complex, but practicing it in all we do is the challenge. Ethical decay happens almost subconsciously and left untended can lead to perilous situations involving fraud, reputational loss, and personal embarrassment. You will explore ethics from both the perspective that good ethics protects and safeguards, but more importantly how ethical intelligence leads to better managed businesses. Finally, you will move beyond personal ethics to how ethical intelligence can be embedded in organizational culture. We will look at cases throughout the course that illustrate ethics at a personal and organizational level.

Speaker:

• Jennifer Nicholson, CPA, CA, Board Member, Nova Scotia Utility & Review Board

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2020

Régie de l'énergie, Place Victoria, 800 rue du Square Victoria, 2nd Floor, Montréal, QC

8:00 a.m.

Breakfast | Régie | Salle Marc-Aurèle Fortin

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

Session 6 ~ Indigenous Participation in Regulatory Decision Making

Description: In this session, the Canada Energy Regulator (CER) and the Canada Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) will discuss Indigenous participation in federal regulatory decision making processes.

The CER will share its experiences over the last 18 months associated with the two Indigenous Advisory and Monitoring Committees (IAMCs) established by the federal government for the Enbridge Line 3 and TransMountain pipelines. Context on the CER's approach to Indigenous Monitoring, the participation of Monitors in CER inspections related to environmental protection, safety and emergency management, and the CER's experience with the development and implementation of the framework for these two committees, including the collaborative origins of the framework, its governance (qualifications, decision making, reporting and training) and the unique contexts associated with the two IAMCs, will be shared with attendees.

The CNSC will share its experiences over the past several years related to Indigenous participation in its hearing processes, recent developments with Ontario Indigenous communities and newly developed Terms of Reference to address early, ongoing and collaborative engagement activities with Indigenous People across its regulated activities.

Moderator: Trena Grimoldby, Commissioner, Canada Energy Regulator

Speakers:

- Chris Loewen, VP, Field Operations, Canada Energy Regulator
- Jason Cameron, VP & Chief Communications Officer, Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission

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10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m.	Coffee Break Régie Salle Marc-Aurèle Fortin
10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Session 7 ~ Intervenor Costs Description: The AUC recently completed a cross-Canada comparison of intervener costs, following on from earlier work by a CAMPUT project team. This Session will explore the results of the analysis and discuss whether current intervener funding mechanisms are producing effective interventions. The Session will also look at whether intervener funding models can be enhanced to improve interventions.
	 Moderator: Mark Kolesar, Chair, Alberta Utilities Commission Speakers: Henry Van Egteren, Vice-Chair, Alberta Utilities Commission Lyne Mercier, Executive Director, Planning and Regulation, Régie de l'énergie de Québec Brian Hewson, Vice President - Consumer Protection & Industry Performance, Ontario Energy Board

11:30 a.m. –	Session 8 ~ Reviewing Our Own Decisions
12:30 n.m.	8

Description: Most regulators have provisions allowing them to review and amend their own decisions. How should this important function be used? We will review practices from across the country and discuss what works, what doesn't, and where there is room for improvement.

Speakers:

- Michael Millar, Legal Counsel, Ontario Energy Board
- Louis Legault, General Counsel, Régie de l'énergie de Québec

12:30 p.m. – 12:40 p.m.	Wrap up: Trena Grimoldby and Scott MacKenzie
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