

MAY 15 TO 17, 2023

# CCRE

## Annual Energy Leaders Roundtable

The Rimrock Resort Hotel, Banff, Alberta



### The Long Canadian Winter In Energy: Will Spring Ever Come?

#### AGENDA

##### MONDAY MAY 15

- 4:00 pm                    **Registration**                    *Wildrose Prefunction*
- 4:30 pm                    **Opening Reception**                    *Wildrose Prefunction*
- 5:45 pm                    **Welcome Remarks**                    *Hawthorn AB*  
**Glen Wright**, Chair, Council for Clean & Reliable Energy
- Introduction of Roundtable Co-Chairs**  
**Gerry Protti**, Chairman, Blacksquare Inc., CCRE Member  
**Aaron Engen**, Vice Chair, Investment & Corporate Banking and Co-Head,  
Energy Transition, BMO Capital Markets
- 6:00 – 6:45 pm                    **Opening Keynote Speaker**  
**Heather Exner-Pirot**, Senior Fellow and Director, Energy, Natural Resources and Environment,  
Macdonald-Laurier Institute
- Energy in the Age of Pragmatism**  
Moderator:                    **Gerry Protti**, Chairman, Blacksquare Inc., CCRE Member  
Moderated Q&A Session
- 6:45 pm                    **Dinner**                    *Hawthorn AB*

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## TUESDAY MAY 16

- 7:00 am **Breakfast Buffet** *Wildrose Prefunction*
- 7:45 am **Convene** *Wildrose Salon AB*
- Relationship With the Land**  
**Elder Eldon Weasel Child**, former Leader of the Siksika Nation of the Blackfoot Confederacy
- 8:00 – 9:30 am **Energy Policy and Climate Change: Federal and Provincial Alignment**  
Federal-provincial cooperation and alignment have broken down in many areas. In the case of energy and climate policies, there is little collaboration and limited forward progress. Federal-provincial goals are not clearly defined, and challenges are many. The former Clerk of the Privy Council will give perspectives on the prospects for a renewed federalism and a transition plan to address energy opportunities and climate realities.
- Moderator: **Deborah Yedlin**, President and CEO, Calgary Chamber of Commerce, former Chancellor, University of Calgary
- Panelists: **Wayne Wouters**, Strategic and Policy Advisor, McCarthy Tétrault, former Clerk of the Privy Council and Secretary to the Cabinet, Government of Canada  
**Hon. Sonya Savage**, Minister of Environment and Protected Areas, former Minister of Energy, Government of Alberta
- 9:30 – 9:45 am **Break** *Wildrose Prefunction*
- 9:45 – 11:00 am **The regulatory and policy environment for investment in energy sector infrastructure**  
The panel members will reflect on their observations of the Canadian infrastructure environment as provincial and federal governments promote low emission goals for the energy sector.
- Moderator: **Guy Holburn**, Professor, Ivey Energy Policy and Management Centre, Western University, CCRE Member
- Panelists: **Arlene Strom**, Chief Sustainability Officer, Suncor Energy Inc.  
**Dale Friesen**, Senior Vice President, Corporate Affairs and Chief Government Affairs Officer, ATCO  
**Carolyn Dahl Rees**, Chair, Alberta Utilities Commission
- 11:00 – 11:15 am **Break** *Wildrose Prefunction*
- 11:15 am – 12:30 pm **Can bi-partisanship return to energy/environmental policy?**  
Canada and the U.S. in the last 75 years saw a largely unbroken record of all forms of energy development and dramatic environmental progress resulting in cleaner air, water and land use. This was possible because energy and environmental policy was developed in an atmosphere of bi-partisanship. That environment no longer exists and even regulators have become politicized. This panel, all former presidents of the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers, will discuss the current situation and prospects for a return to bi-partisan solutions.
- Moderator: **Gerry Protti**, Chairman, Blacksquare Inc., CCRE Member
- Panelists: **Pierre Alvarez**, Vice Chair, Global Public Affairs, former Chairman and CEO, NWT Power, Deputy Minister to the Northwest Territories  
**David Collyer**, Board Chair, Emissions Reduction Alberta, former President and Country Chair, Shell Canada, former Director, Supply Branch, National Energy Board  
**David Manning**, Director, Stakeholder Relations, Brookhaven National Laboratory
- 12:30 – 1:00 pm **Lunch** *Hawthorn AB*
- 1:00 – 1:45 pm **Keynote Speaker** *Wildrose Salon AB*  
**Dennis McConaghy**, former Executive Vice-President Corporate Development, TransCanada Corporation
- Carbon Change: Canada on the Brink of Decarbonization**  
An investigation into the scale and costs of transitioning our energy systems to achieve net-zero emissions
- Moderator: **David McFadden**, Chair of the Board, Toronto Hydro, CCRE Member  
Moderated Q&A Session
- 1:45 – 2:15 pm **Break** *Wildrose Prefunction*

2:15 – 3:30pm	<b>Building Infrastructure and Collaboration</b> Infrastructure development and investment and the roles and involvement of First Nations.
Moderator:	<b>Hon. Rod Phillips</b> , former Minister of Finance, Government of Ontario, former President & CEO, Shepell-fgi, former Chair, Postmedia
Panelists:	<b>Al Monaco</b> , former President and CEO, Enbridge <b>Melissa Mbarki</b> , Policy Analyst and Outreach Coordinator, Indigenous Affairs Program, Macdonald-Laurier Institute <b>Saga (Allison) Williams</b> , Owner and Principal, AS Williams Consulting Services, First Nations Major Projects Coalition
3:30 – 3:45 pm	<b>Break</b> <i>Wildrose Prefunction</i>
3:45 – 5:00 pm	<b>Investment Strategy in New Technologies</b> What is the landscape of investment in new technologies that are on the horizon, and the regulatory and policy development alignment?
Moderator:	<b>Aaron Engen</b> , Vice Chair, Investment & Corporate Banking and Co-Head, Energy Transition, BMO Capital Markets
Panelists:	<b>Grant Arnold</b> , President and CEO, BluEarth Renewables <b>Kendall Dilling</b> , President, Pathways Alliance <b>Janine Sullivan</b> , President and CEO, FortisAlberta Inc.
5:00 pm	<b>Break</b>
5:30 pm	<b>Reception</b> <i>Wildrose Prefunction</i>
6:30 – 7:00 pm	<b>Keynote Speaker</b> <i>Hawthorn AB</i> <b>Michael Rencheck</b> , President and CEO, Bruce Power <b>Building a clean energy future: Infrastructure, policy development and sustainable growth</b>
Moderator:	<b>Scott Lee</b> , President, Makwa Development, CCRE Member Moderated Q&A Session
7:00 pm	<b>Dinner</b> <i>Hawthorn AB</i>
<b>WEDNESDAY MAY 17</b>	
7:00 am	<b>Breakfast Buffet</b> <i>Wildrose Prefunction</i>
8:15 am	<b>Reconvene</b> <i>Wildrose Salon AB</i>
8:30 – 10:00 am	<b>Keynote Speaker and Discussion</b> <b>Greg Lyle</b> , President, Innovative Research Group <b>Promises, Politics, and Polls</b>
Moderator:	<b>Marc Brouillette</b> , Principal Consultant, Strategic Policy Economics, CCRE Member Moderated Q&A Session
10:00 – 10:15 am	<b>Break</b> <i>Wildrose Prefunction</i>
10:15 – 11:45 am	<b>Politics and the Energy Sector</b> <i>Wildrose Salon AB</i>
Moderator:	<b>Glen Wright</b> , Chair, Council for Clean & Reliable Energy
Panelists:	<b>Bill Harris</b> , Managing Partner, The Mita Group, former CEO, Republican National Convention <b>Mike Coates</b> , Executive Chairman, Rubicon Strategy Inc., former Global Vice Chairman, H+K Strategies <b>Brian Topp</b> , Partner, GT & Company, former Chief of Staff to Alberta Premier Rachel Notley, Government of Alberta <b>Hon. Rod Phillips</b> , former Minister of Finance, Government of Ontario
11:45 am	<b>Closing Remarks</b>
12:00 noon	<b>Adjournment</b>

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## THE COUNCIL FOR CLEAN & RELIABLE ENERGY

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The Council for Clean & Reliable Energy (CCRE) is a federally incorporated non-profit organization that provides a platform for dialogue and analysis on subjects related to energy policy. The CCRE was formed by a group representing academia, public and private sector business leaders, and labour.

The Council understands the value of creating a broader and more inclusive public discourse. During the last decade, the Council has facilitated conferences, thought leaders' roundtables, distributed opinioned publications, and shared knowledge and expertise. Its efforts have been recognized and appreciated by decision-makers in government and the energy business as providing a neutral forum for the free exchange of ideas and opinions. The Council remains committed to continuing to facilitate debate on the generation, transmission and distribution of clean, affordable and reliable energy with a clear focus on finding effective solutions for Canada and abroad.



## IVEY ENERGY POLICY AND MANAGEMENT CENTRE

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The Ivey Energy Policy and Management Centre is the centre of expertise at the Ivey Business School focused on national energy business issues and public policies. It conducts and disseminates first class research on energy policy; and promotes informed debate on public policy in the sector through supporting conferences and workshops that bring together industry, government, academia and other stakeholders in a neutral forum. The Centre draws on leading edge research by Ivey faculty as well as by faculty within Western University.



## POWER WORKERS' UNION

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The Power Workers' Union (PWU) is Ontario's largest electricity sector union representing over 16,000 highly skilled men and women who help generate and deliver electricity to Ontario's homes and businesses. For over seven decades, the PWU has successfully influenced and adapted to the continually evolving electricity sector challenges creating the most opportunities for sustainable, high-value jobs, safe working conditions; decent benefits and retirement security; and better energy policies for all Ontarians. As one of Canada's strongest and most progressive unions, the PWU remains committed to using its knowledge, experience, and expertise to secure a promising future for our membership while helping to keep the lights on for all Ontarians.



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