



Hydro hosts Prime Power Diesel Inter-Utility Conference

August 23, 2013, St. John's, NL – Newfoundland and Labrador Hydro (Hydro) is hosting the 22nd Prime Power Diesel Inter-Utility Conference (PPDIUC), which is a conference of the Canadian Off Grid Utilities Association (COGUA). The event takes place August 25-29 at the Sheraton Hotel in St. John's and brings together utilities from across the country.

PPDIUC is a forum for Canadian utilities with off grid power generation and distribution facilities to come together and share ideas and experiences. Utilities face similar tasks and challenges regarding generation and distribution of clean reliable power, such as bulk oil storage and handling, logistical challenges of remote locations, employee retention, environmental concerns and safety.

"This is a forum for off grid utility members to interact and learn from each other," said Dave Hicks, Nalcor Energy's Manager of Electrical Engineering and Chair of the Conference Planning Committee. "It's an opportunity to share best practices and experiences regarding the management, design, and operation of our off grid systems towards a safer, environmentally conscience, reliable, efficient and cost effective operation."

The theme for this year's PPDIUC conference is "Modular and Expandable Diesel Plants." Sessions include presentations from each utility, a COGUA Board update and presentations from event sponsors.

Newfoundland Labrador Hydro is honored to have the opportunity to host this year's event.

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