

TORC PRESENTS:

# Renewable Energy:

*Exploring Ownership Options for Farmers, Rural Landowners and Rural Communities*

Wednesday, November 7, 2007

The Stratford Rotary Complex • 353 McCarthy Road West • Stratford, ON

## AGENDA

8:15 – 8:45 a.m.

**Registration**

8:45 – 9:00 a.m.

**Welcome and Opening Remarks**

- Harold Flaming, Executive Director, TORC
- John Kikkert, President, CFFO

9:00 - 10:30 a.m.

**Local Renewable Energy: Opportunities, Benefits & Risks**

- Moderator: Kris Stevens, Policy and Communications, Ontario Sustainable Energy Association (OSEA)
- Speakers:
  - *The German Experience*: Henning Holst, Wind Energy Consultant to farmers
  - *The Biogas Experience*: Laurie Stanton / Garry Fortune, Stanton Bros. Ltd., Ilderton
  - *The Wind Co-op Experience*: Lloyd Crawford, Co-op Development Manager, Countryside Energy Co-operative Inc.

Q + A (20 mins)

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

*Refreshment Break*

10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

**Market Options for Small Projects (< 10 megawatts)**

- Moderator: Ted Cowan, Research/Policy Development, Ontario Federation of Agriculture (OFA)
- Speakers:
  - *Renewable Energy Standard Offer Program (RESOP) + Net Metering – Biogas*: Benjamin Strehler, Genesys Biogas
  - *Renewable Energy Standard Offer Program (RESOP) + Net Metering – Wind*: Cornell Feenstra, Feenstra Electric Ltd.
  - *Renewable Energy Standard Offer Program (RESOP) Barriers*: Jon Kieran, Coordinator, Distributed Energy, Ontario Ministry of Energy

Q + A (20 mins)



12:00 – 1:15 p.m.

Lunch

- Speakers:
  - Dan Mathieson, Mayor of Stratford, *introducing:*

1:15 – 3:00 p.m.

### **Ownership Options for Farmers, Rural Landowners and Rural Communities**

- Moderator: Deborah Doncaster, Executive Director, Ontario Community Power Fund
- Speakers:
  - *Net-metering for Individual Development – Wind:* Carol Leeming, Leeming Farms Ltd., Seaforth (ON)
  - *Co-operative Model:* Jen Heneberry, Co-op Development Officer, Ontario Co-operative Association
  - *Collaborative Model:* Henning Holst, Wind Energy Consultant to farmers
  - *Val-Éo Co-operative Model:* Patrick Côté, Val-Éo, Saint Bruno, Quebec

Q + A (20 mins)

3:00 - 3:15 p.m.

*Refreshment Break*

3:15 – 3:45 p.m.

### **Renewable Energy Technology 101**

*(Choose 1 of the 3 breakout sessions)*

#### **Biogas**

- Moderator: Benjamin Strehler, Genesys Biogas
- Speakers: Jake DeBruyn and Don Hilborn, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs (OMAFRA)

#### **Wind**

- Moderator: Deborah Doncaster, Community Power Fund
- Speakers: Cornell Feenstra (small wind projects) and Henning Holst (large wind projects)

#### **Water**

- Moderator: Kevin Edwards, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR)
- Speakers: Paul Norris, President, Ontario Waterpower Association

3:45 – 4:00 p.m.

### **Wrap up**

OFA representative (tbc)  
Tom Prout, Past Chair, TORC