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EVENT INFORMATION

RESOURCE EXPO 2006



ABORIGINAL ENERGY & RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

Worldwide demand for natural resources is creating enormous opportunities for Aboriginals. At the same time, new community development, environmental, and human resource challenges are emerging. **RESOURCE EXPO 2006** is the forum to find out how to move strategically forward into this exciting new era of promise. The event is an opportunity to learn from leaders about:

- incredibly successful and enduring win/win partnerships;
- leading-edge developments in Canada's oil sands;
- exciting pipeline developments throughout western and northern Canada;
- environmental, labour, legal, and community planning obstacles and opportunities;
- dynamic alternative energy developments in wind power, run-of-the river hydro, ocean renewable energy, and methane hydrates; and
- new mineral and related developments in Canada's far north.

RESOURCE EXPO 2006 is the premier venue for doing business, networking, and information exchange.

CONFERENCE Network and learn more about the opportunities available at this national symposium loaded with top business, government, and Aboriginal speakers, opinion leaders, and trend-setters.

NEXUS TRADE SHOW Enjoy the interaction and enthusiasm of the NEXUS trade show. Make your deal, demonstrate your product or service and get your message out at the largest Aboriginal trade show in Canada. Open to all businesses—large & small. Free to the public.

GALA DINNER Celebrate the successes and milestones the of resource development industry in an evening of fine cuisine, arts, and magical entertainment at this highlight event of **RESOURCE EXPO 2006**.



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DAY ONE 22

8:00 Registration

9:00 Opening Prayer
Elder Leonard Bastien

9:10 Welcome & Opening Remarks from Conference Chair
DAVE TUCCARO, President, Tuccaro Inc. Group of Companies

9:20 OPENING ADDRESS
Addressing New Challenges with Indigenous Resource Development Opportunities
ROY FOX, President, Indian Resource Council

1 Alberta's Oil Sands

With more than 175 billion barrels of oil reserves—second only to Saudi Arabia—Alberta's oil-sands deposits have courted an estimated \$100 billion+ worth of projects that are now either under way or in the works in the region. With total estimates of over 2-3 trillion barrels of oil in the sands (more than all the oil reserves in the Middle East) and growth taking place at unprecedented rate, the Northern Alberta industry is facing unprecedented challenges.

10:00 Growing Aboriginal Economic Interests & Safeguarding the Environment
ROY VERMILLION, Chief Executive Officer, Athabasca Tribal Council

10:25 Refreshment Break

10:45 Looking Forward: A New Era for Aboriginal & Community Relations
BRENDA ERSKINE, Director, Community Relations and Communications, Suncor Energy, Oil Sands

11:10 Growing Aboriginal Self-Reliance through Business Opportunities
JEFF PARDEE, General Manager Northeast Alberta Aboriginal Business Association (NAABA)

2 Canadian Petroleum Industry

11:35 Overview of Canadian Petroleum Industry & Future Trends
DAVID PRYCE, Vice President, Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers

12:00 Luncheon Break

12:30 KEYNOTE LUNCHEON
THE HONOURABLE GUY BOUTILIER, Minister of Environment, Alberta
Managing and Protecting the Environment to the Highest Standards

3 Environmental Issues

1:15 Sustainable Industry-Aboriginal Partnerships: Application of Traditional Ecological Knowledge into Science and Resource Management
TERESA RYAN, Tsimshian Nation

1:40 Focusing on Cleaner Air
DONNA TINGLEY, Executive Director, Clean Air Strategic Alliance

2:05 Lowering Emissions Reductions through Technology Advances
MIKE ANFINSON, PhD, Shareholder, GTAT California LLC

4 Keeping Up with Labour Demands

2:30 Building & Educating Tomorrow's Workforce
CHRISTINE COUTURE, Director of Labour Force Partnerships, Province of Alberta

2:55 Refreshment Break

5 Preparing for the Next Wave of Major Projects

3:15 Saskatchewan's Next Major Diamond Project
BRENT C. JELICOE, President and CEO, Great Western Diamonds Corp.

3:40 Wind Power Development on Traditional Aboriginal Lands
The Cree Nation of Chisasibi and the Labrador Métis Nation are pursuing developments of large scale wind energy on their traditional lands in partnership with Ventus Energy Inc. Each of the individual projects exceeds 1,000 MW of new generation and involves an area of land in excess of 17 million acres. These developments make Ventus Energy the largest developer of wind energy projects on aboriginal land in the world.

CHIEF ABRAHAM RUPERT, Cree Nation of Chisasibi
PRESIDENT CHRIS MONTAGUE, Labrador Métis Nation
JOHN DOUGLAS, President & CEO, Ventus Energy Inc.

4:40 CONFERENCE ADJOURNS

Closing Draw for Beautiful Aboriginal Artwork (only available to those attendees present)

Closing Prayer

5:30 RECEPTION

Featuring an advance book launch and signing for *Dances with Dependency: Indigenous Success through Self-Reliance*

DAY TWO **23**

9:00 Opening Prayer
Elder Leonard Bastien

9:10 Opening Remarks from Conference Co-Chair & Recap from Day One
DARRELL BEAULIEU, CEO, Denedeh Investments Incorporated, NITA Board Member

9:30 OPENING ADDRESS
Creating Wealth & Sustainability from Natural Resources
AUDREY POITRAS, President of the Métis Nation of Alberta and Vice President of Métis National Council

6 Partnerships that Work

10:00 Sustainable Business Partnerships—What does it take?
IAN HARGRAVE, Vice President, Project Development, ATCO Group

10:30 Refreshment & Networking Break

10:50 Akita's Aboriginal Joint Venture Partnerships: Structure, Issues and Solutions
JOHN PAHL, Vice President, Marketing North, Akita Drilling Ltd.

11:20 Creating Enduring Win/Win Partnerships
BRENDA CHAMBERS-TUCCARO, President, Brenco Media Inc.

12:00 Luncheon Break

12:30 KEYNOTE LUNCHEON
TE TARU WHITE, Kaihautu (Māori leader), Museum of New Zealand Te Papa
The Role of Culture in Business & Resource Development

7 Northern Project Development

1:15 New Partnership Opportunities for Support Activities for Northern Resource Development Projects
ROB HUNT, President, Horizon North Logistics Inc.

1:45 Gearing for Community Business from Mackenzie Valley Pipeline
BARRIE ROBB, Vice President – Business Development, Mackenzie Aboriginal Corporation (MAC)

8 Aboriginal Law Update

2:15 The Importance of Managing Relationships with First Nations
ROSANNE M. KYLE, Partner (Vancouver), MILLER THOMSON LLP

2:40 Refreshment & Networking Break

9 Green Energy, New Energy Sources

2:55 Ocean Energy and Free Stream Micro Hydro
CLAYTON BEAR, President and CEO, New Energy Corporation Inc.

3:20 BC's Largest Run-of-the-River Hydro Project: The Kwoiek Creek Hydroelectric Project
CHIEF JAMES FRANK, Kanaka Bar Indian Band
RICHARD BLANCHET, Vice President Western Region – Hydroelectric Energy, Innergex Management Inc.

3:55 Gas Hydrates – A Fuel and Technology for the Future
KIRK OSADETZ, Earth Science Sector, Natural Resources Canada, Calgary Division

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Closing Prayer

After the conference, join us for an evening of dinner and entertainment at the Resource Expo Gala Dinner.

6:00 to 9:30 pm GALA DINNER



EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

DAY ONE

4:40 ARTWORK DRAW Be there for the closing draw for beautiful Aboriginal artwork!

5:30-6:45 pm RECEPTION

Network & mingle at the **Reception**. Join Orca Spirit Publishing & Communications in celebrating the special advance book launch for *Dances with Dependency: Indigenous Success through Self-Reliance*.

DAY TWO

4:20 ARTWORK DRAW Be there for the closing draw for beautiful Aboriginal artwork!

A Magical Evening!

6:00 to 9:00 pm GALA DINNER

NITA is proud to present its Gala event. Feast on a sumptuous meal and soak up a magical evening of networking, Aboriginal comedy, music, dance and fashion.

The evening's entertainment features twelve year old, Aboriginal performer, Akina Shirt. Her rendition of O Canada (sung in Cree) is a powerful tribute to the founding role of the First Peoples in the formation of Canada.

Enjoy the laughter with a renowned Aboriginal comedian and be dazzled with a fashion show featuring Life Crest Designs by Bill Helin.

NEXUS TRADE SHOW

Limited Space, Huge Demand. Reserve your Exhibit Booth Now. Don't Miss the Largest Aboriginal Business and Resource Industry Event in Canada!

Showcase your business and share ideas with a host of Canadian, American and international visitors. Participation creates networking opportunities and the chance to promote your company or organization's interests.

EXHIBIT BOOTH DESCRIPTION

8' x 10' booth with pipe and draping, 6' skirted table, and 2 chairs.

Application forms will be provided to exhibitors who wish to order electrical, internet or materials handling.

EXHIBIT TABLE DESCRIPTION

Standard 6' skirted table with 2 chairs.

MOVE IN & ON SITE REGISTRATION SCHEDULE

November 21 6:00pm – 9:00pm

GES Show Services available for on site materials handling.

EXHIBIT HOURS

November 22 9:00am – 5:00pm

Trade Show Reception 5:30pm - 6:45pm

November 23 9:00am – 1:00pm sharp

MOVE-OUT SCHEDULE

November 23 1:00pm – 3:00pm

EXHIBIT DESCRIPTION

Type an **85 word** or less description of your company and display for insertion into the show guide. Include all **contact information** and the names of persons staffing your exhibit for badge preparation.

SECURITY

While every effort will be made to provide security for exhibits, the Native Investment and Trade Association will not assume responsibility for loss or damage to exhibits or exhibit contents or other property.

