

Wednesday, November 16

- 11:00am **Legislative Academy Registration** (Legislators Only)
Location: BC Parliament Building, Hemlock Room, 1st Floor
- 11:30am **Depart for Legislative Academy**
Location: Fairmont Empress Hotel Lobby
Those wishing to walk from the Empress to the BC Parliament together should meet PNWER staff in the Empress lobby prior to 11:30am
- 12:00pm **Group Photo** in Legislative Assembly Chambers with **the Honourable Bill Barisoff**, Speaker of the Legislative Assembly of British Columbia
- 12:10pm – 1:20pm **Luncheon and Legislative Academy Session #1**
Location: BC Parliament Building, Ned de Beck Lounge, 4th floor
Brief kick-off presentation from two former PNWER presidents highlighting lessons learned based on experience in cross-border politics and insights on significant differences between the legislative processes on both sides of the border.
Featuring:
- **Barry Penner**, MLA, British Columbia (left)
 - **Representative Jeff Morris**, Washington State (right)
- Presentation on the basic structural differences between the Canadian and US Government Systems
Featuring:
- **Dr. Michael Treleaven**, Associate Professor, Political Science, Gonzaga University
- 1:20pm **Legislative Academy Session #2**
US Legislators depart to go to the Legislative Assembly for announcements and Question Period – will be seated on the floor with the BC MLAs



Download the Legislative Leadership Academy Manual using your smart phone, or visit: <http://bit.ly/ucpSpt>

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1:30pm

Canadian Legislators

Location: BC Parliament Building, Douglas Fir Committee Room

Dr. Mike Treleaven is joined by a panel of US Legislators **Rep. Jeff Morris** (WA), **Rep. George Eskridge** (ID) (left), **Sen. Cliff Larsen** (MT) (right) to discuss the following:



- How do bills originate?
- How many bills do you consider in a typical legislative year?
- How do you function in caucus?
- Describe your committee structure, and what is the role of legislative committees?
- Who decides who sits on committees?
- What is the role of public consultation, interest groups, lobbyists, media, etc?
- How do the Senate and House coordinate to pass legislation?

2:30pm – 3:00pm

US Legislators take quick tour of Leg Building, ending with coffee in the Ned de Beck Lounge with Canadian MLA's

3:00pm – 3:50pm

Legislative Academy Session #3

Location: BC Parliament Building, Ned de Beck Lounge, 4th floor

Participants will sit at mixed tables, with both Canadian and US legislators, and a faculty member. There will be facilitated roundtable discussions at each table on the following topics:

- What is the role of Committees in your Legislature?
- What is the budget making process and who is involved?
- How does the initiative and referendum process affect the legislative process?
- How do you monitor ethics and how does the process work?
- What are the implications of the above to the day to day legislative process and the making of laws?

3:50pm – 4:00pm

Coffee Break

4:00pm – 6:00pm

Legislative Academy Session #4: Chamber Leadership and Legislative Governance

Location: BC Parliament Building, Douglas Fir Committee Room

A view from the Speaker's chair: A joint session chaired by **Hon. Bill Barisoff** (right), Speaker of the Legislative Assembly (BC) and leadership from several bodies in the US jurisdictions.



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Panel to include (from left): **Speaker Lawrence Denney**, Speaker of the



Idaho House; **Senate President Gary Stevens** of Alaska; **President of the Senate Jim Peterson** of Montana; and **Hon. Don Toth**, Speaker, Saskatchewan.

Panel to address some of the following questions:

- What is the Role of the Speaker in the Parliamentary System?
- What is the Role of Speaker and Senate President in the US?
- In the US, What power does the Speaker have?
- In Canada, How does the Speaker influence policy?
- How do the Bi-Cameral systems interact?
- Who makes the rules?

6:00pm – 6:20pm

Session #5 - Perspectives and Insights from the Day
Professor James Lawson, Associate Professor, University of Victoria,
Department of Political Science

6:30pm – 8:00pm

Reception with BC MLA's

Location: BC Parliament Building, Reception Hall, 1st Floor
Event chaired by **John Les** (right), MLA and Parliamentary
Secretary for Intergovernmental Affairs, BC, and hosted by
the BC Speaker Hon. Bill Barisoff.



9:00pm

Hospitality Suite hosted by Fortis BC
Location: Fairmont Empress Hotel Library

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7:30 am – 4:00 pm

Registration (Open to all participants)
Location: Victoria Conference Centre

8:00am - 9:15am

Breakfast

Location: Victoria Conference Centre, Saanich Room
Roundtable discussions Legislators sit in mixed tables, table discussions
based on yesterday's topics, and in addition:

- How does the party system work?
- What are the nomination procedures?

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- What does a typical campaign for the legislature cost in your jurisdiction?
- How do you fund political campaigns?
- What inspired you to run for office?
- What motivates you on a daily basis?
- How do you overcome the challenges of public office?

9:30 am – 12:00pm

Telecom Working Group Planning Session

Open to all participants

Location: Victoria Conference Centre, Victoria Room

The purpose of the meeting is to develop a team of regional telecommunications stakeholders that can develop a ‘Telecom 101’ educational session for legislators. The goal of the working group will be to identify best practices for informing government leaders on telecom policy and issues.

9:30am – 10:45am

Legislative Academy Session #5 - Concurrent Session

Facilitated panel discussions on Federal/Provincial relations

Session A

9:30am – 10:45am

Session for Canadian Participants: A U.S. Perspective on State and Federal Issues

Location: Victoria Conference Center, Esquimalt Room

Panel: **Speaker Lawrence Denney** (Idaho), **Rep. Mike Schaufler**, Oregon (left), PNWER President, **Senate President Gary Stevens**, Alaska; **Anne Callaghan**, US Consul General, Vancouver (center) and **State Senator Lesil McGuire**, Alaska (right)



Moderator: **Rep. Jeff Morris** (former Speaker Pro-Tem, Washington)

The panel will address the following questions:

- How do states interface with the US federal government?
- Who controls tax dollars, and what is the percentage of government services controlled by Washington, DC vs. the state governments?
- What are the implications of this?
- What are the bottlenecks, pressure points, and how do states impact the US federal system to solve their issues?

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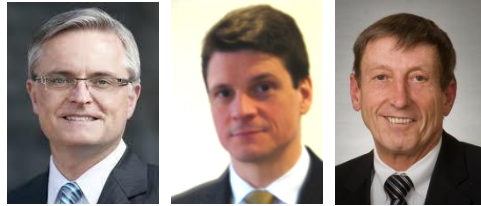
Session B

9:30am – 10:45am

Session for U.S. Participants: A Canadian Perspective on the Federal-Provincial Relationship

Location: Victoria Conference Center, Oak Bay Room

Panel: **Barry Penner**, MLA, former Attorney General (BC) and former PNWER President (left); **Denis Stevens**, Canadian Consul General to the Pacific Northwest (center); **Mike Chisholm**, former PNWER Vice President, SK (right);



Moderator: **Dr. Mike Treleaven**, Gonzaga University

The panel will address the following questions:

- What is the role of the provinces and the federal government in the Canadian system? And what are the practical relationships between the two?
- What is the constitutional breakdown of responsibilities between the provinces and the federal government?
- Does the Canadian Senate play a role similar to the US Senate?
- What is the Council of Federation and what role does it play?
- What is the relative breakdown of monies spent by the Federal government vs. Provincial taxes for government services?
- How do the Provincial legislatures relate to Ottawa?

10:45am – 11:00am

Coffee Break

11:00am – 12:00pm

Legislative Academy Session #6: What structural mechanisms could assist the region to be more effective in implementing policy changes that require buy in from Ottawa and Washington D.C.?

Location: Victoria Conference Center, Oak Bay Room

Canadian participants join U.S. participants for mixed table discussions

12:00pm – 12:30pm

Natural Gas Vehicles Showcase

Location: BC Parliament Building Driveway

Natural gas vehicles will be displayed in front of the Legislative Building and industry experts will be available to answer your questions.

12:30pm – 2:00pm

Luncheon and Opening of the 2011 Economic Leadership Forum

Location: Victoria Conference Centre, Saanich Room

Luncheon Keynote **Ian Brodie**, former Chief of Staff to Prime Minister Harper, Strategic Advisor to the Inter-American Development Bank (right) hosted by Encana



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- 2:00pm – 3:15pm **Building a policy framework to lead North America in developing a network of Natural Gas infrastructure to fuel our own transportation fleets**
Location: Victoria Conference Centre, Oak Bay Room
Panel to include **Wayne Geis**, Encana; **Andrew McVie**, Director of Business Development, FortisBC; **Jonathan Burke**, Vice-President of Global Market Development, Westport Innovations; **Frank Zweep**, President, Vedder Transportation Group
- Moderator: **Dan Kirschner**, *Executive Director*, Northwest Gas Association and **Barry Penner**, MLA, British Columbia
- How can we work together to put in place the policy incentives to develop a network of fleet fueling stations that can further the opportunity for long haul trucks to utilize cheaper natural gas with greater economic and environmental benefits to our own region?
- Legislative Roundtable Discussion**
- How do we utilize our understanding of the political differences to achieve a regional objective?
- 3:15pm – 3:30pm **Coffee Break**
- 3:30pm – 4:30pm **How do we fund Infrastructure? Public-Private Partnerships and Infrastructure Financing**
Location: Victoria Conference Centre, Oak Bay Room
Western Canada has developed world class public private partnerships as part of the Asia Pacific Gateway, featuring **Michael Houle**, Partnerships BC
- What policies have led the way to these P-3's, and what can the region learn from them?
 - What are the mechanisms in states for infrastructure finance and what is the role of the US Federal government?
- 4:30pm – 5:00pm **Conclusion of the Legislative Academy**
Location: Victoria Conference Centre, Oak Bay Room
- 6:00pm **Reception** hosted by APEGGA, APEGS, and APEGBC
Location: Fairmont Empress Hotel, Tea Lobby
- 9:00pm **Hospitality Suite**
Location: Fairmont Empress Hotel Library

Friday November 18th

8:00am - 9:00 am

Breakfast hosted by the Government of Canada

Location: Fairmont Empress Hotel, Kiplings Room

Keynote featuring **Jon Allen** (right), Assistant Deputy Minister for the Americas, Department of Foreign Affairs and International Trade, hosted by the Government of Canada



9:15am - 11:45am

Concurrent Sessions

Session I

Legislative Transportation Institute Legislators Only

Location: Fairmont Empress Hotel, Balmoral Room

Ferry Systems 101 – Tackling Common Challenges

Review of respective system governance, finance, labor contract, and route structures, vessel acquisition procedures and potential uses of alternative fuels. Are there future opportunities for expanded cooperation in marketing or other areas between the systems?

Moderated by **Darrell Bryan**, President and CEO, Victoria Clipper (right)

Panel: **David Moseley**, Assistant Secretary, Ferries Division, Washington State Department of Transportation; **Capt. Michael Neussl**, Deputy Commissioner, Marine Operations, Alaska Marine Highway System, **Mike Corrigan**, BC Ferries (left)



Organized Labor and the Maritime Industry: A Rich History

Waterborne commerce and passenger services have long been a part of the rich history of organized labor and the development and operation of our great port systems. This session will provide a contextual background for labor's role on the waterfront and a specific examination of the partnerships with ferry employees in addressing common challenges in safe and secure operations of vessels.

Panel: **David Freiboth**, Executive Director, Martin Luther King Labor Council, Seattle (MLKLC); **Captain Tim Saffle**, Regional Representative, International Order of Masters, Mates and Pilots (Washington State Ferries and Alaska Marine Highway System)

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Session II

Economic Leadership Forum: Innovation Open to all participants

Location: Fairmont Empress Hotel, Library

Working Group Co-Chairs: **Senator Jim Kastama**, Washington State (left); **David Zepponi** (right), NorthWest Food Processors Association (NWFPA)

- Insight from Thought Leaders: A Roundtable on the PNWER regional innovation ecosystem.
- Working Group Activities: Insight on successes and activity next steps
 - Benchmarking of Innovation
 - Building a Knowledge Base
 - Fostering the Innovation Network
 - Promoting Innovation
 - Ecosystem Policies
 - Recommendations
- Partners Discussion: Leveraging existing resources in the region to enhance and foster the development of the ecosystem.



Session III

10:00am start

Lunch in session

Energy Storage Summit Open to all participants

Location: Fairmont Empress Hotel, Buckingham Room

Working Group Co-Chairs: **Rep. Jeff Morris**, Washington; **Rep. George Eskridge**, Idaho

Overview of BC Hydro Energy Storage Projects

- **Helen Whittaker**, BC Hydro

Storage projects in region not covered during Portland session

- **Dave Curry**, CEO, Demand Energy
- **Gwen Holdmann**, Director, Alaska Center for Energy and Power (invited)
- **Wayne Bliesner**, CEO, ADI Thermalpower

Lunch featuring **Tom Noell**, Vice President, Business Development Xtreme Power – “*Xtreme’s 36 MW grid energy storage project with Dukes energy’s 153 MW wind farm in Texas and their 15-megawatt battery storage system in Hawaii*”

12:00 pm-1:30pm

Luncheon - Shipyards and Jobs: a growth curve from ferries and cruise ships to naval vessels and off shore drilling platforms

Location: Fairmont Empress Hotel, Kiplings Room

Keynote roundtable featuring **Rear Admiral John Lockwood** (ret.), VP Government Affairs, Vigor; **Dave Freiboth**, Martin Luther King County Labor Council, Seattle; **Greg Wirtz**, Director, NorthWest Canada Cruise Ship Association; **Brad Jurkovich**, Washington Ferry Coalition; **Mark Gleason**, Alaska Crabbers and **Barry Penner**, MLA, British Columbia

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Moderator: **Peter Philips**, Philips Publishing, Seattle

Topic: Panel discussion of economic opportunities related to the maritime industry in the Northwest with a focus on Bering Sea fishing fleet recapitalization and expansion of marine transit. Arctic oil and gas exploration will also be discussed. Panelists will discuss what opportunities exist in fisheries and marine transit sectors, and how the health of these sectors brings work to the shipyards of the Pacific Northwest—and by extension the maritime industrial community. We'll examine how the shipyards, labor and supporting industries work collaboratively to ensure that we remain competitive, and retain our reputation for providing the highest quality workmanship in the industry, and we'll share with the audience our views on how local, state and federal legislators can help ensure that we remain competitive.

1:45pm-4:30pm

Concurrent Sessions

Session I

1:45pm – 4:30 pm

Legislative Transportation Institute Open to all registered participants

Cascadia Legislative Transportation Institute Policy Tour

Tour of Victoria Shipyards / Esquimalt focusing on the differences between Canadian and U.S. approach to job creation in the maritime sector and refit of cruise ships. Open to all participants.

Session II

1:45pm - 4:00pm

Energy Storage Summit Open to all participants

Location: Fairmont Empress Hotel, Buckingham Room

Update on energy storage projects presented in Portland

- **Jim Holbery**, Grid Mobility
 - **Landis Kannberg**, PNNL
 - **George Roe**, Boeing Research & Technology
- Presentation on energy storage policies in Texas and California
- **Scott Richards**, Senior Policy Analyst, Washington House Technology Energy and Communications Committee
 - Discussion on California and Texas different approaches
- Discussion on Draft Mission Statement
Discussion on organization
Queue agenda items for next meeting/webinar

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Session III

1:45 pm – 3:00 pm

Tourism

Location: Fairmont Empress Hotel, St. James Room

Discussion of Visa Pilot and Beyond the Border Action Plan

3:30 pm – 4:30 pm

NEPTUNE Project presentation by the University of Victoria

To be confirmed

Location: Fairmont Empress Hotel, Balmoral

NEPTUNE Canada offers a unique and exciting approach to ocean science. Traditionally, ocean scientists have relied on infrequent ship cruises or space-based satellites to carry out their research. But NEPTUNE Canada is changing this. NEPTUNE is the world's first regional-scale underwater ocean observatory network that plugs directly into the Internet. People everywhere can 'surf the seafloor,' while ocean scientists run deep-water experiments from labs and universities anywhere around the world.

5:40pm

Buses Load for travel to evening reception at Government House

Load Location: Fairmont Empress Hotel

6:00pm

Reception at Government House hosted by His Honour, **Honourable Steven L. Point, OBC** (right), Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia



9:00pm

Hospitality Suite

Location: Fairmont Empress Hotel Library

Saturday November 19th

8:00am

Optional Continental Breakfast

Location: Fairmont Empress Hotel Buckingham

8:30am-12:00pm

PNWER Executive Committee Meeting Open to all Participants

Location: Fairmont Empress Hotel Buckingham

12:00pm

PNWER Executive Board Luncheon

Location: Fairmont Empress Hotel Harbourside

Discuss plans and strategy for PNWER Board visit to Ottawa (November 28-30)