

Pacific NorthWest Economic Region

# 14<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SUMMIT

# July 11 – 14, 2004 in Victoria, British Columbia

# **AGENDA** Preliminary Agenda

# **Keynote Speakers**

Premier Gordon Campbell Governor Frank Murkowski, Alaska Linda Jewell, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Bureau of Western Hemisphere Affairs Oryssia Lennie, Deputy Minister of Western Economic Diversification Canada

# Working Groups

Agriculture Border Issues 2004 Energy Forum Energy I Energy II Environment Forestry Healthcare High-Tech Homeland Security Sustainable Development Tourism Trade & Economic Development Transportation Workforce Development

**NW Energy Tech Collaborative** (For more information <u>click here</u>)

NOTE: This is not the finalized agenda and is thereby subject to change

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### AGRICULTURE

*Co-Chairs:* **Richard Marz**, MLA, Alberta

Eric Davis, Former President, National Cattlemen's Beef Association

Tuesday, July 13th

MORNING SESSION – Oak Bay 9:00am-11:00am

#### How do we maintain confidence in the North American livestock industry?

Bovine Spongiform Encephalopathy – Where are we at and how can we work together? Eric Davis, Former President, <u>National Cattleman's Beef Association</u> Hugh Lynch-Staunton, Vice President, <u>Canadian Cattleman's Association</u>

#### Livestock waste disposal- Alternative uses for Specified Risk Materials

Nancy Facklam, Research Officer, Alberta Agriculture, Food & Rural Development

11:00am - 12:00pm

#### Drought Management

Best practices for conserving water in agriculture

Dr. Dennis Fitzpatrick, <u>Alberta Ingenuity Center for Water Research</u>, <u>University of Lethbridge</u> Jim Mattison, Executive Director, <u>Land and Water BC</u>, and Chair, <u>BC Drought Management Task Force</u>

**AFTERNOON INVASIVE SPECIES SESSION** – *Esquimalt* 

2:00pm-5:00pm

#### Joint Session with Environment Working Group

Economic Impacts of Invasive Species on the Regional Economy Dr. Ted Groshols, <u>Dept. of Environmental Science and Policy</u>, UC Davis

Best practices for Setting Up Invasive Species Councils
Idaho Model: Pat Takasugi, <u>Idaho Department of Agriculture</u>
Oregon Model: Robin Waldeck, <u>Center for Lakes and Reservoirs</u>
BC Model: Gail Wallin, <u>Fraser Basin Council</u>
Alberta Model: Shafeek Ali, Head of Pest Risk Management, <u>AB Agriculture, Food, & Rural Development</u>

Marine Invasive Species: Past Occurrences and Future Strategies Dr. Bob Piorkowski, <u>Alaska Fish & Game Dept</u>

Dealing with Aquatic Invasive Species in British Columbia Dr. Gary Caine, Ministry of Agriculture Food and Fisheries

How Do We Fund Invasive Species Early Detection and Rapid Response? Hon. John van Dongen, MLA, Ministry of <u>Agriculture Food and Fisheries</u> in British Columbia

Some possible models for discussion: <u>US Senate Bill 144 - US Senator Larry Craig (ID)</u> <u>National Invasive Species Act of 1996 – P.L. 104-332</u> <u>Pacific States – British Columbia Oil Spill Task Force</u>

# **BORDER ISSUES**

Co-Chairs: Senator Ralph Seekins, Alaska

#### Jim Phillips, President & CEO, CAN/AM BTA

Jointly Sponsored by the Canadian/American Border Trade Alliance

#### Tuesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> Saanich

#### MORNING SESSION - 9:00am-12:00pm

• Current Issues and Developments relative to achieving the required level of public security while making the US/Canada Border more efficient in facilitating known low-risk goods and people."

Jim Phillips, President & CEO, Can/Am Border Trade Alliance

- US VISIT Program Implementation (scheduled for land borders this year) What impacts could this have at our high traffic land border crossings? Impacts to commercial freight – due to landed immigrant truck drivers. Will FAST supersede US VISIT for pre-cleared truck drivers? *Jim Williams, Director, US-VISIT*
- Perimeter Clearance
  - NEXUS 'Plus' an interoperable pilot for Nexus Land, Sea, and Air Solomon Wong, Director, Planning & Security, <u>InterVISTAS Consulting, Inc</u>. Bruce Agnew, Program Director, <u>Cascadia Project, Discovery Institute</u>
- Private Sector Connection to the Department of Homeland Security Alfonso Martinez-Fonts, JR., Special Assistant to Secretary Tom Ridge, Private Sector, DHS
- What Border infrastructure improvements are necessary and being planned for the 2010 Olympics?

Highway 395/25 Corridor Coalition Rick Hardie, <u>Regional District of Kootenay Boundary</u>

# 2004 ENERGY FORUM

Jointly sponsored by the Energy Council & PNWER

#### The Energy Council will hold a joint Pacific NorthWest Energy Forum with PNWER's Energy I Working Group on Monday, July 12

# **ENERGY I**

*Co-Chairs:* **Mel Knight**, MLA, Alberta

Cam Barton, Vice-President, AltaLink

#### 2004 Energy Forum

The PNWER Energy Working Group will jointly host the Energy Forum with the Energy Council. The session will take place in the Auditorium and will consist of a morning session (9:00 to 12:00) and an afternoon session (2:00 to 3:15). At the conclusion of the Forum, the Energy Working Group will convene an action planning session to capture key action items related to the Northwest Region.

9:00 a.m. Energy Forum Opening Address The Honourable Richard Neufeld, BC Minister of Energy and Mines

#### 9:30 a.m. Pacific NorthWest Energy in a North American Context

- Energy and the Economy
  - Mr. John Conti, Director, International Economics & Greenhouse Gases Division, U.S. Department of Energy
- Energy and Environmental Policy Commissioner Derek Doyle, Oil & Gas Commission, British Columbia
- The Energy Cradle of Canada--The Western Canadian Sedimentary Basin (WCSB) and Shifting Production Trends Mr. Brian Maynard, VP, Stewardship & Public Affairs, Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers
- The Role of First Nations in Energy Development Representative, Arctic Slope Regional Corporation

#### 10:45 a.m. Break

#### 11:00 a.m. Pacific NorthWest Oil and Gas for North American Markets

Alaska's North Slope Oil and Gas Ms. Drue Pearce, Sr. Alaska Affairs Advisor, U.S. Department of Interior

British Columbia's Gas – A Growing Source of Supply Mr. Doug Haughey, President, Duke Energy Gas Transmission-West

The Oil Sands - Energy In and Energy Out

Regulatory Alignment--FERC and the NEB Mr. Jim Hoecker, Swidler, Berlin, Shereff, Friedman L.L.P. (former chair of FERC)

#### AFTERNOON SESSION

#### 2:00 p.m. Pacific NorthWest Electricity and the North American Grid

Balancing Generation and Transmission Load Mr. Yakout Mansour, Sr. Vice President, System Operations & Asset Management, British Columbia Transmission Corporation

The Changing Scale of Hydropower Ms. Dawn Farrell, Executive Vice President-Generations, BC Hydro

Meeting Transmission Challenges in the Pacific NorthWest

Mr. Brad J. Thomson, C.A. President, Northern Lights Transmission

Nuclear Power in the US

Dr. Gary Kugler, Senior Vice President & International Advisor, Atomic Energy Canada, Ltd.

3:30 p.m. Break

3:45 pm **PNWER Energy Working Group Roundtable** – A facilitated session to derive specific action items for the region in two areas: 1) What needs to be done before the Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline can go forward? 2) What specific actions can best enhance our regional grid system, and how do we get these done?

Chaired by Mel Knight, MLA (Alberta) and Cam Barton, VP, AltaLink

Moderator: Representative Jeff Morris, Panelists to include: Yakout Mansour, BCTC; Jim Hoecker, former Chair of FERC; Doug Haughey, Duke Energy; Rep. George Eskridge, Idaho; Brad Thompson, Northern Lights, BPA Representative

5:00 pm Adjourn

Note: A Joint Action Planning Session with the Energy II Working Group will be held on Wednesday afternoon for a final wrap up of PNWER Action Items for the Energy Working Group.

# **ENERGY II Emerging Technologies**

*Co-Chairs:* **Representative George Eskridge**, Idaho

Dr. Gouri Bhuyan, Powertech Labs, Inc

The Northwest Energy Technology Collaborative will host the NWETC Showcase on Tuesday, July 13 PNWER Delegates are invited to participate. The showcase will highlight new energy technologies in the region. The Energy II PNWER Working Group meeting will be held following the Showcase on Wednesday morning.

MORNING SESSION 9am-12pm - Saanich

Renewable Portfolio Incentives Panel - State / Provincial efforts to promote renewable portfolio development: What is working best from a policy perspective? From an industry perspective?

Oregon – Larry Gray, Deputy Director, <u>Oregon Department of Energy</u> Washington – Rep. Zack Hudgins, Washington State House (invited) Idaho – Robert W. Hoppie, Administrator, <u>Idaho Energy Division</u> Montana – <u>Rep. Alan Olson</u>, Energy and Telecommunications Interim Committee British Columbia – Mary Hemmingsen, Manager, Power Planning & Portfolio Management, <u>BC Hydro</u>

Regional Energy Corridor Siting Panel:

How are different jurisdictions dealing with the need for new energy corridor siting? What is working, what doesn't work? What enabling legislation is needed to provide streamlined permitting of multi-jurisdictional, binational projects?

Overview of PNWER's Legislative Energy Chair Task Force – *Rep. George Eskridge, ID Jim Luce, Director, Washington* <u>EFSEC</u> *Robert W. Hoppie, Administrator, <u>Idaho Energy Division</u> John Carruthers, Vice President, Upstream Development, Enbridge Pipelines Inc.*  Mark Lindberg, Energy & Agriculture Officer, <u>Montana Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity</u> Larry Gray, Deputy Director, <u>Oregon Department of Energy</u> Representative from, <u>BC Hydro</u> / BCTC Mike Johns, Manager, Project Management, <u>Bonneville Power Administration</u>

Resolution and Action Plan Discussion

#### AFTERNOON SESSION 2pm-4:30pm - Esquimalt

**Ocean Power** - Can the Pacific NW develop a leadership role in developing Ocean Power? What incentives are necessary? What emerging technologies are being developed here?

Dr. Gouri S. Bhuyan, Director CIAET, Powertech Labs, Inc.: Ocean energy technologies and projects in PNW; new Ocean Renewable Energy Group (OREG)

*Ms. Janice Larsen, Senior Policy Advisor on Alternative Energy and Biofuels, <u>BC Ministry of Energy and Mines</u> and <i>Ms. Michelle Porter, Policy Advisor, <u>Land & Water BC</u>: The BC Energy Plan, and the BC Crown Land and Water License Process* 

*Ms. Alla Weinstein, President, <u>AquaEnergy</u>, Seattle:* AquaBuoy Pilot offshore Power plant & PNW Ocean Energy Market *Mr. Nicholas Goodman, <u>TDX Power Inc</u>, Anchorage:* Alaskan perspective for Ocean Energy Technique

There will be a Joint Action Planning Session with Energy I Working Group on Wednesday afternoon. The purpose will be to wrap up all Action Items for the Energy Working Groups. The Northwest Energy Technology Collaborative will host the NWETC Showcase on Tuesday, July 13 PNWER Delegates are invited to participate. The showcase will highlight new energy technologies in the region. The Energy II PNWER Working Group meeting will be held following the Showcase on Wednesday morning.

# **ENVIRONMENT**

*Co-Chairs:* **Rep. Kelli Linville**, Washington

Ron Tenove, The Focus Corporation Ltd.

Tuesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> Esquimalt

MORNING SESSION - 9:00am-12:00pm

**Best Management Practices for Performance Based Regulations** 

PNWER Environment PBR Model

Overview of the Best Management Practices for Performance Based Regulations model that the PNWER Board has endorsed following the 2003 presentation by the Environment Working Group. *Representative Kelli Linville, Washington State House* 

Environmental Harmonization Model - Alberta / BC MOU

Overview of the MOU program for multi-jurisdiction participation in performance based regulation. MOU will present a framework for how to get MOU's working, prioritizing issues, examples of successful PBR practices. Addresses the question of how can PBR issues be identified and acted upon in the PNWER jurisdictions. A brief statement will also be made of how CASA initiative has progressed since presentation to the July 2003 PNWER Summit.

Ron Hicks, Deputy Minister, Alberta Environment

Cross Border Models of Cooperation

Don Fast, Director, Environment Canada Ron Kreizenbeck, EPA Region X (invited)

#### The ENLIBRE Process

Consensus based approach to land use decisions and environmental remediation Jim Souby, Executive Director, Oquirr Institute, Salt Lake City, (invited)

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Protecting Marine Eco-Systems from Invasive Species: Past, Present and Future Dr. Bob Piorkowsk, <u>Alaska Fish & Game Dept</u>

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# FORESTRY

*Co-Chairs:* **Honourable Michael de Jong,** Minister, Ministry of Forests – British Columbia

Bill Bourgeois, VP, Environment and Government Affairs, Riverside Forest Products

Wednesday, July 14 Oak Bay

#### AFTERNOON SESSION - 2:00pm-4:30pm

Practical and cost effective methodologies for fire management & forest health Peter Fuglem, Director, Protection Branch, BC Ministry of Forests

> How are we addressing these issues? Utilizing new technologies to determine forest health Jay Watson, Dir., Wildland Fire Program, The Wilderness Society Satellite Imagery/Mountain Pine Beetle Rajeev Sharma, University of British Columbia

New mutual aid agreements between states and provinces for firefighting John Shires, Wildfire Operations Branch, Alberta Sustainable Resource Development

Softwood lumber: Where are we at in this tennis match?

A look at the status of the softwood lumber issue George Hoberg, Professor and Head, Department of Forest Resource Management, University of British Columbia (invited)

What is the economic impact on both sides of the border? Paul Jannke, Resource Information Systems, Inc.(invited)

# HEALTHCARE

*Co-Chairs:* Sen. Cheryl Pflug, Washington

Greg Szabo, Executive Director, Merck Frosst Canada

Tuesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> Saanich

#### AFTERNOON SESSION - 2:00pm-5:00pm

Importation Panel -

What are the issues surrounding the importation of prescription drugs? Why are drugs priced differently in the US and Canada? Are dangers to public safety from counterfeit drugs being adequately addressed?

Chris Ward, President, Ward Health Strategies

*Rick Roberts, Professor, Department of Communication Studies, University of San Francisco* Sharing a victim's experience with counterfeit drugs

Innovative approaches to manage costs and improve health outcomes.

Dr. Howard Platt, BC Department of health Val Tregulis, BC Department of health Dr. Robert Freeman, Executive Director, Public Policy, AstraZeneca

# HIGH TECH

*Co-Chairs:* **Lee Cheatham,** Director, Washington Technology Center

Robert D. "Skip" Rung, Executive Director, Oregon Nanoscience and Microtechnologies Institute (ONAMI)

Monday, July 12<sup>th</sup> Oak Bay

MORNING SESSION - 9:00am-12:00pm

Introductions

**Micro/Nanotechnology: Challenges and Opportunities in the Region:** A Roundtable Discussion - This session will attempt to:

- define what micro and nanoscience and technology mean to our Region,
- investigate how micro and nano-scale products and research play into the Region's major industries, both existing and emerging, and
- discuss local, state and provincial initiative to take maximum economic advantage of these upcoming ideas.

Micro/Nanoscience and technologies include research and product development for very small devices, some that may even have been constructed atom by atom. Because of this manufacturing process such devices offer the potential to be much cheaper and more widely available.

The impact of these micro and nano-scale devices will be felt across all of the Pacific Northwest's industries from manufacturing to electronics to medical devices to energy production to disease prevention. Today several Pacific Northwest companies are producing products based on these technologies. However, the broad impact of true nano-scale devices may be at least a decade away.

Robert Rung, Director, Oregon Nanoscience and Microtechnology Institute Jim Fleury, Assistant Deputy Minister, Western Economic Diversification, Alberta Lee Cheatham, Director, Washington Technology Center

# HOMELAND SECURITY

Co-Chairs:

Honourable David Coutts, Minister of Government Services, Province of Alberta

Chris Parsons, Senior Engineer, The Boeing Company

Wednesday, July 14<sup>th</sup> Oak Bay

#### MORNING SESSION - 9:00am-12:00pm

Threat and notification system

Northwest Warning, Alert, and Response Network – a pilot project by the US Department of Homeland Security Bryant Harrison, Emergency Preparedness Advisor, FEMA Region X (invited)

Securing our Maritime Transportation System – Are we doing all that we can do to protect our vital sea trade across our borders and along our coastline?

Senator Fred Dyson, Alaska State Senate Mike Cormier, Dir, Victoria Port Authority Graham Kee, Security Director Port of Vancouver

Regional public/private partnerships – Addressing Critical Infrastructure Interdependencies and Homeland Security Preparedness.

Blue Cascades II Dr. Paula Scalingi, President, The Scalingi Group, and Co-Director, Stony Brook University Forum on Global Security Canadian Infrastructure Initiatives Paul Crober – Regional Director, Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness Canada (PSEPC)

Round-table discussions and resolutions

# SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

Co-Chairs:

Archie Riddell, Ministry of Sustainable Resource Management, British Columbia

Scott Canonico, Compliance Assurance Manager, Hewlett Packard Corporation

Monday, July 12<sup>th</sup> Oak Bay

#### AFTERNOON SESSION - 2:00pm-5:00pm

#### Sustainability and the 2010 Winter Games

Setting the Stage – 2010 Olympics from a Sustainability Perspective Ken Baker, Asst. Deputy Minister, Ministry of Sustainability and Resource Management, and former Executive Director of <u>Environment and Sustainability, Vancouver/Whistler 2010 Winter Olympic Bid Committee</u>

Panel Perspectives – Sustainability and the 2010 Olympics Local Government Johnny Carline, Chief Administrative Officer, <u>Greater Vancouver Regional District</u> First Nations Lyle Leo, Business Development Director, <u>Mount Currie Band Council</u>

Financing Sustainability: How the Financial Sector Can Contribute to Sustainable Development in the Olympic Games.
 Burt Hamner, MBA, MMA, Director, Programs for Sustainable Business
 Corporate Social Responsibility
 Coro Strandberg, Principal, Strandberg Consulting – Solutions for a Sustainable World

Questions and Answer Period Moderated by Bruce Sampson, VP, <u>BC Hydro</u>

Wrap-Up: Looking ahead to future sessions - Electronic Waste Recycling <u>Scott Canonico</u>, <u>Hewlett-Packard</u>

# TOURISM

#### *Co-Chairs:* **Representative Lesil McGuire,** Alaska

#### Lorne Whyte, Executive Director, Tourism Victoria

Tuesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> Oak Bay

#### AFTERNOON SESSION - 2:00 pm to 5:00 pm

2:00 Moderators/Facilitators

2:15 2010 Olympics – Regional Cooperation Council – Collaborating to make the most of this regional opportunity

Rick Lemon, Vice President, Tourism BC **Rep. Glenn Anderson, Washington Carl Wilgus, Idaho Tourism Director** Hon. Elaine Taylor, Minister of Tourism, Yukon Territory

3:30 Break

- 3:45 Cross Border Marketing Partnerships How can we increase tourism for the entire region and share the benefits? Successful Tourism cooperation models: Cruise BC initiative *Michael Cormier, Chief Executive Officer, Greater Victoria Harbour Authority Alison Partridge, Butchart Gardens, Victoria*
- 4:30 Collaboration with our State/Provincial Ferry systems Mike Thorne, Director, Washington State Ferries (invited) Doug Hahn, Director, BC Ferries (invited)

### **TRADE & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT**

*Co-Chairs:* **Rep. Velma Veloria**, Washington

Tim Martin, Amgen

Monday, July 12<sup>th</sup> Esquimalt

#### MORNING SESSION - 9:00am-12:00pm

Impact of the Cruise Industry on the Pacific NorthWest Economy – Introduction by Barry Penner, MLA

John Shively, Holland America Line

Best practices and strategies to maximize economic benefit to local companies.

Greg Wirtz, Manager, Business Development, Cruise Industry Association of BC

Provisioning the Cruise Ship Industry – How can local suppliers access this growing market? September 16-19, 2004 Provisioning Seminar - John Hansen, NW Cruise Ship Assn (invited)

**Bio-Tech Clusters**: How can the region more effectively collaborate? *Ruth Scott, President, Washington Biotechnology & Biomedical Association Paul Stinson, BC Biotech Richard Glickman, Founder & Co-Founder, Stressgen & Aspreva (invited)* 

#### AFTERNOON SESSION - 2:00pm-5:00pm

#### Fishing Industry of the Pacific Northwest: Challenges and Opportunities

Fin Fish, Shellfish, Aquaculture, Questions and Answers Sen. Dan Swecker, Secretary/Treasurer, Washington Fish Growers Association Ray Ralonde, Sea Grant Maine Advisory Program, Alaska Robin Downey, Pacific Coast Shellfish Growers Association, WA Linda Sams, Marine Harvest Canada and Board of BC Salmon Farmers Assoc. Linda Chavez, NOAA Fisheries, Aquaculture Coordinator, WA DC (invited)

**Outsourcing** – Discussion of benefits and challenges of offshore outsourcing. What is the impact of outsourcing on NW jobs?

Canadian Perspective (TBD) Rep. Sandra Romero, Washington State Rep. Zack Hudgins, Washington State

#### Tuesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> Colwood

MORNING SESSION – 9:00am-12:00pm

#### Update on Trade Negotiations: Energy, Water & Procurement

Professor Bob Stumberg, Georgetown Law School Don Dalik, Fasken Martineau BC Trade Office (invited)

# TRANSPORTATION

*Co-Chairs:* **Sen. Jim Horn**, Washington

Honourable Kevin Falcon, Minister of Transportation, BC

Monday, July 12<sup>th</sup> Saanich

#### MORNING SESSION - 9:00am-12:00pm

Update on the status of FAST, ACE, NEXUS, US-VISIT (entry/exit), Ridge/Manley Smart Border Declaration 32 Point Plan and their impacts on legitimate trade and tourism at the US/Canada Border. *Jim Phillips, President & CEO, Can/Am Border Trade Alliance* 

Building confidence with the public – performance measures and audits for Transportation Departments – the new Washington State Transportation Performance Audit Board Doug Hurley, VP, CH2M Hill (emeritus)

Transportation infrastructure planning related to the 2010 Olympic Games

Peter Milburn - BC Minstry of Transportation Transport Canada – John Mills (invited) Washington State – Paula Hammond, Chief of Staff, WA DOT

Marine Transportation initiatives and intermodal connections Jim Boldt, Representative of Aqua Express

Discussion and Roundtable: Intermodal transportation connections and the 2010 Winter Games – what additional gateways could facilitate greater border facilitation?

#### AFTERNOON SESSION - 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM

Canada Border Services Agency: It's Capability, Role and Focus Update on the Ridge/Manley Smart Border 32 Point Plan Denis Lefebvre, Executive Vice President, <u>Canada Border Services Agency</u>

Alaska – Canada Rail Corridor – Connections to Economic Growth and Development Jeanette James, Railroad Advisor to Governor Murkowski, Alaska CN Rail representative Expansion of Regional Partnership initiatives: West Coast Corridor Coalition, and the NW Corridor Development Corporation

Transportation Treaties: BC's resources and access to the Pacific; Taku, Stikine, and the Iskut/Bradfield, How do we work together to fulfill the promise?

Robin Taylor, Alaska State Dept. of Transportation

Discussion and Resolutions

### WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

*Co-Chairs:* **Hon. Clint Dunford**, Minister of Human Resources & Employment, Alberta

Neil Windsor, Executive Director, APEGGA

Wednesday, July 14<sup>th</sup> Esquimalt

#### MORNING SESSION - 9:00am-12:00pm

Analysis of skill sets needed for large infrastructure projects – Mackenzie Delta Pipeline, Alaska Natural Gas Pipeline, Alberta Oil Sands development, and the 2010 Olympics

John Carruthers, Vice President, Upstream Development, Enbridge BC Ministry of Human Resources Alberta

Discussion of best practices for workforce training including aboriginal component for northern development *TransCanada* 

Working toward reciprocity for specialized training between States and Provinces

Worker Mobility issues - Professional mobility, credential recognition, and transferability of skills

APEGGA APEG – BC Dave Curtis, Idaho State Licensing Board

# THE NORTHWEST ENERGY TECHNOLOGY SHOWCASE

The Northwest Energy Technology Showcase (NETS) will be held on Tuesday, July 13 in cooperation with the PNWER Summit in Victoria, BC.

NETS is an opportunity for 10 of the best new energy technology companies in the region to present their technology to lead purchasers, decision-makers and engineers from utilities across the Western United States & Canada.

NETS is designed to help emerging "home grown" energy technology companies talk about who they are, what they do, how they do it, and how it benefits the utility sector.

In the morning, 10 companies will deliver 15 presentations.

After lunch there will be a reverse engineering function that will feature key utility engineers in a round table discussion on challenges they face. This will be an opportunity for the new energy technology sector to hear issues

that need to be addressed with emerging energy technology products. For more information about the Showcase, contact Representative Jeff Morris, Director of the NW Energy Collaborative: <u>http://www.nwetc.com</u> or phone 206-616-3098.