BUILDING THE RENEWABLE ENERGY MARKET IN NORTH AMERICA

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POLLUTION PROBE

History:

- Founded in 1969
- At the University of Toronto
- A non-profit, charitable organization
- Supported by 6,000 donors

POLLUTION PROBE

Programmes:

- Mandate: environmental policy development
- Main programme areas:
 - Climate change
 - Air
 - Water
 - Energy
- Other areas of activity:
 - Mercury, Toxics, Children's Health, Environmental Management

GREEN POWER ACTIVITIES





PRIMER ON THE TECHNOLOGIES OF RENEWABLE ENERGY.



GREEN POWER WORKSHOP SERIES

Report of the Green Power in Canada Workshop Series



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A Green Power Vision and Strategy for Canada

towards a sustainable electricity future for Canada

GREEN POWER WORKSHOP SERIES

- HALIFAX: MONTREAL:
- **TORONTO:**

CALGARY:

VANCOUVER:

- **Current Status and Challenges**
- Technology Development and Resource Potential
- Investments and Markets for Green Power
- **Policies and Incentives for Green Power Development**
- A Vision and Strategy for Green Power in Canada

DEFINITION OF GREEN POWER

- Low-impact renewable energy that meets the criteria set by the Environmental Choice Program for EcoLogo certification.
- Chosen because it is currently the most commonly used definition in Canada.
- The Environmental Choice Program gives EcoLogo recognition to:
- Alternative Source Electricity Generation from naturally occurring sources (such as the wind and sun).
- Alternative Source Electricity Generation from sources and technologies that have small environmental impacts (such as less intrusive hydro and certain biomass combustion).

WIND POWER GENERATION CAPACITY BY COUNTRY (2003)



GREEN POWER: STATUS IN CANADA

Technology	Installed Capacity (MW)	Technical Potential (MW)
Small hydro	1,800	9,000
Biomass	1,628 + 85	7,000
Onshore wind	313	40,000
Tidal energy	20	3,000
Solar PV	10	70,000
Offshore wind	0	2,500
Geothermal	0	3,000
Wave energy	0	10,000

READINESS OF GREEN POWER TECHNOLOGIES IN CANADA

Technology	Readiness	Canadian Products	Cost Effective Without Incentives
Small Hydro	Yes	Yes	Now
Wind	Yes	Blades and Electronics Only	By 2010
Photovoltaics	No (2010)	No (2005)	By 2025
Biomass (Forest Waste)	Yes	Yes	Now (CHP)
Biodiesel	Yes	Yes	No
Landfill Gas	Yes	Yes	Site Dependent
Fuel Cells	No	Yes	No
Power Electronics	Yes	Yes	Costs are falling

Modified from Filion. 2003.

BARRIERS TO RENEWABLE ENERGY DEVELOPMENT



Source: Y. Guerard. Hydro-Quebec. November 2003.

GREEN POWER ACTIVITY (~ 30 TWh by 2010)

- BC 50% new generation 2003-2013 (includes cogen)
- AB 3.5% renewables by 2008
- SK 150 MW of wind by 2007
- MB 250 MW of wind by 2010
- ON 10% renewables by 2010
- QC 1000 MW of wind, 100 MW of biomass by 2010
- NB RPS planned. 100 MW of wind by 2010.
- NS 5% renewables by 2011
- PEI 15% renewables by 2010 (30-40 MW wind)
- YT 2 MW of wind
- NWT 10% renewables by 2010

INSTALLED WIND POWER GENERATION CAPACITY BY PROVINCE

Province	Installed Capacity (MW)			
Newfoundland	0			
PEI	13.6			
Nova Scotia	4.8			
New Brunswick	0			
Québec	113.3			
Ontario	14.6			
Manitoba	0			
Saskatchewan	21.8			
Alberta	170.7			
British Columbia	a 0			
Yukon	0.8			
Northern Territo	ry O			
Nunavut	0			
Total	339.6			

Source: CANWEA. 2003.

GREEN POWER BENEFITS



Sustainable Electricity Future Priorities

- Energy efficiency and conservation;
- Green Power that meets the criteria for EcoLogo certification;
- Ecologically sustainable larger-scale hydro and other renewables;
- Combined heat and power using natural gas; and
- The cleanest and safest technologies among the remaining options.

Potential Green Power Portfolio for 2025

TECHNOLOGY	CAPACITY (MW)	CAPACITY FACTOR (PER CENT)	ELECTRICITY GENERATION (TWh)
Wind – onshore	21,000	30	55
Wind – offshore	3,400	40	12
Small hydro	10,000	50	44
Biomass	4,500	80	32
Geothermal	500	95	4
Solar	1,000	14	1
Wave	500	30	1
Tidal	500	30	1
TOTAL	41,400		150

Green Power Targets for Canada

45-60 TWh of green power by 2010.
90 TWh of green power by 2015.
120 TWh of green power by 2020.
150 TWh of green power by 2025.



YEAR



PRIORITIES FOR ACTION

1. Leveling the Playing Field

- Renewable Portfolio Standards or Equivalent Policy Commitments
- Green Power Production Incentive
- Green Power Procurement
- Renewable Energy Certificate System
- System Benefits Charge

PRIORITIES FOR ACTION

2. Supporting Innovative Technologies

- Comprehensive Strategy for Research, Development, Demonstration & Commercialization
- Centres of Excellence
- Sustainable Development Technology Canada
- Technology Road Maps

PRIORITIES FOR ACTION

3. Engaging Canadians

- Community Engagement
- Community-based Projects
- Market Incentive Program Increased and Extended
- Comprehensive Public Education and Outreach Strategy

ADDITIONAL ACTIONS

- Accessing the Power Grid
- Mapping Green Power Resources
- Establishing Mechanisms for Distributed Generation
- Streamlining Zoning, Planning and Permit Requirements
- Developing Standards to Ensure Quality and Safety
- Preparing the Labour Force
- Setting Up Green Power Coordinating Bodies

ONTARIO'S GREEN POWER POTENTIAL

CURRENT ELECTRICITY GENERATION IN ONTARIO

	MW installed (peak capacity)	GWh generated in 2003	%	Source
Coal	7,285	35,098	22.2	[1]
Power source	10,774	61,040	38.6	[3]
Large Hydro	7,665	33,572	21.3	[1]
Oil & Gas	4,645	12,208	7.7	[1]
Imports	-	10,682	6.8	[1]
Wind*	15	39	0.02	[2]
Solar PV*	3	4	0.00	Canadian total estimated to be 10 MW
Small hydro*	491	2,150	1.4	20 MW and smaller [5]
Biomass*	455	3,189 2.0 incl.		incl. biogas [4]
Total non-large hydro renewables	1,016	5,382	3.4	
Total	31,378	157,982	100	

* Generation estimated based on known plant sizes and capacity factors for each technology.

ONTARIO ELECTRICITY DEMAND FORECASTS IN TWh

	2005	2010	2015	2020	2025
Ontario IMO [1]	153	164	172	180	-
National Energy Board [6]	163	178	192	207	219
Pembina CIMS Model [1]	139	148	163	181	-

COMPARISON OF GREEN POWER TARGETS PROPOSED FOR ONTARIO IN TWh

	2010	2015	2020	2025
Pollution Probe (national) [12]	45–60	90	120	150
Pollution Probe (Ontario)*	12–16	24	32	40
ON Energy Task Force [7]	16	28	36	-
Pembina Institute [1]	17	26	35	-
Torrie Smith [9]	-	-	8	-
National Energy Board [6]	6	12	17	21
Current Government Target	9	-	-	-

* Interpolated from national target based on Ontario's relative share of total current electricity generation.

Green Power in Canada documents are downloadable at:

http://www.pollutionprobe.org/whatwedo/greenpower/index.html

THANK YOU!

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