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KENDALL DILLING

PRESIDENT, OIL SANDS PATHWAYS TO NET ZERO ALLIANCE

As President, Oil Sands Pathways to Net Zero Alliance, Kendall is responsible for the overall coordination of technology, project development and external relations on behalf of the Alliance members. Kendall took on the leadership role in June 2022. Prior to his role at Pathways Alliance, Kendall was Cenovus Energy's Vice-President, Environment & Regulatory, where he was responsible for environmental strategy, managing the regulatory process for major approvals and leading environmental policy advocacy efforts with various levels of government. He also led the Cenovus military liaison team, which works closely with the Canadian military to coordinate oil and gas activities on the Cold Lake Air Weapons Range near Cenovus's operations.

With nearly 30 years in the oil and gas industry, Kendall has expertise in various areas, including environment, regulatory, health and safety, Indigenous and stakeholder relations, surface land and business development. Prior to his work at Cenovus, Kendall worked in environmental consulting and for various Canadian and multi-national pipeline and energy companies.

Kendall holds a Bachelor of Science, a Bachelor of Arts and an MBA from the University of Calgary. He sits on several committees at the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP) and serves on the boards of the Canadian Energy Research Institute and the Alberta Orphan Well Association.



SHANNON JOSEPH

CHAIR, ENERGY FOR A SECURE FUTURE

An energy and sustainable development professional with over 15 years of experience that includes the upstream oil and gas industry, Indigenous relations and the municipal sector. She is motivated by the strong conviction that energy is about people and that abundant, affordable, low-emission energy is a pre-condition for growing the middle class, protecting the environment and in Canada, advancing reconciliation.

Ms. Joseph spent close to 10 years in progressively senior roles at the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, including as Senior Manager of Research and Development with its Green Municipal Fund and as the founding Director of the Municipalities for Climate Innovation Program, a \$75 million capacity building and granting program focused on climate change mitigation and adaptation at the community level. Most recently, Ms. Joseph served as Vice-President, Government Relations and Indigenous Affairs for the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers (CAPP). She led work related to federal policies affecting Canada's upstream oil and natural gas industry. An important part of this work involved building relationships with Indigenous organizations in support of ongoing economic reconciliation in Canada.

A member of the Order of Engineers of Quebec, Ms. Joseph holds a Bachelor of Engineering degree from McGill University and Master of Applied Science in Civil Engineering from the University of Toronto. Ms. Joseph has served on the Boards of Directors of the Canadian Environmental Grantmakers Network (now Environmental Funders Canada) and the Energy Council of Canada and was a member of the Advisory Council for the University of Ottawa's Positive Energy initiative.



MICHAEL BINNION

**PRESIDENT,
QUESTERRE ENERGY**

Michael Binnion is the President and founding shareholder of Questerre Energy, a public oil and gas production company operating in Quebec. Questerre and its predecessor Terrenex have been pioneers in natural gas exploration in Quebec for the last twenty years. They are currently working on their social license to commercialize the Utica shale gas discovery in the Lowlands.

Mr. Binnion is a long-time believer in the deep natural gas potential of Quebec. He acquired the current land position held by Questerre in 1998 based on new geological ideas and has brought in the industry partners that participated in the giant Utica shale discovery on Questerre's land in 2008.

Mr. Binnion is a seasoned entrepreneur with a history of starting, financing and managing companies, primarily in the oil and gas sector. From 1996 to 2000 he was President of CanArgo Energy, one of the first Western companies to engage in oil and gas exploration in the Republic of Georgia. CanArgo played an active role in helping introduce legislation and a regulatory framework for the oil and gas industry in the country.

Mr. Binnion was founder and served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Flowing Energy Corp., a junior exploration and production company, from June 1996 to December 2001 and Chairman of the Board from 2002 to 2004. From 1992 to 1997 he was Executive Director of Crossfield House Inc., a private merchant banking firm. From 1988 to 1992 he was a minority shareholder and manager of a private investment company that held interests in commercial real estate and golf courses. Prior thereto he was Manager in the High Tech group at Clarkson Gordon, a division of Ernst & Young, specializing in tax-assistant financings. Mr. Binnion served as Chairman of the Board of Sylogist Ltd. from March 2000 to February 2002. He served as a Director of Sylogist Ltd. from March 1997 to November 2006. He was a founder and Director of Magnus Energy, Inc. from March 4, 2005 to November 2007. Mr. Binnion serves as Chairman of High Arctic Energy Services Inc. . He is also Chairman of both High Arctic Energy Services and the Canada Strong and Free Network. Most recently he founded the Modern Miracle Network, an organization of Canadians wanting adult conversations about the benefits and impacts of energy use.

Mr. Binnion is a Chartered Accountant and holds a Bachelor's degree in Commerce from the University of Alberta.

Recognized internationally for his expertise in shale gas exploration and development, he presents at numerous conferences each year.



MALCOLM MACPHERSON

NATIONAL CHAIR, INDIGENOUS
PRACTICE AT WHITE LAW TWINING

Malcolm Macpherson was born and raised in Vancouver BC. He is of Indigenous Migmaw heritage on his mother's side of the family, who are from Quebec. Malcolm attended law school at the Faculty of Law, University of Toronto, where he focused his studies on business and Indigenous law.

Malcolm is a partner at Whitelaw Twining LLP in Vancouver, where he is the Chair of the Indigenous Law Group.

From the outset of his legal career, Malcolm has focused on leading meaningful social and economic transformation for Indigenous clients and related corporations. When not practicing law, Malcolm spends most of his time with his young family on a small acreage in South Surrey, BC.



HEATHER EGGLESTON

**VICE PRESIDENT,
IMPERIAL OIL LIMITED**

Heather Eggleston Vice President, Low Carbon Solutions Canada Imperial Oil Limited
Heather Eggleston was named Vice President of Low Carbon Solutions in August 2023, in conjunction with the creation of Imperial's low carbon solutions organization. Ms. Eggleston has worked for Imperial for over 22 years in a range of positions within the downstream and corporate departments, beginning in 2001 in the Toronto office. Within the downstream, Heather held various commercial assignments with increasing responsibility, in both Canada and the US. In 2013, Heather was responsible for financial reporting of Imperial's downstream and chemicals business and then moved into the role of director of planning and strategy. In 2018, Heather was responsible for marketing of natural gas and power for Imperial and in 2020 was named Imperial's Eastern Canada fuels director. Heather is originally from Oakville, Ontario and graduated with honours from McMaster University with a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering and management. She is the proud mother of an active toddler, who keeps her parents young at heart.



ADAM ENGDAHL

**VICE PRESIDENT,
NEXGEN**

Adam Engdahl has over a decade of exploration and project development experience, including community initiatives within the mining sector. Prior to joining NexGen in 2014, he was employed by Claude Resources Inc. where he played an integral role in the initial expansion and delineation of the Santoy Gap gold deposit for what is now SSR Mining's richest gold deposit located in Saskatchewan. As NexGen's Vice-President Community, Mr. Engdahl played an integral role in the successful negotiation and execution of industry leading Benefit Agreements between NexGen and First Nations local to the Rook I Project. Mr. Engdahl began his career managing exploration programs for Search Minerals Inc. where, in 2011, his team was awarded the Explorer/Prospector of the Year Award for Newfoundland and Labrador, by the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum, Newfoundland and Labrador Branch. Mr. Engdahl was born and continues to reside in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan. He completed his undergraduate in geology from the University of Saskatchewan.

NexGen Energy is a Canadian company focused on optimally developing the Rook I Project into the largest low cost producing uranium mine globally, incorporating the highest levels of environmental and social governance. The Company has a strong portfolio of highly prospective projects, including the Company's 100% owned Rook I property that is host to the high-grade Arrow Deposit. NexGen is listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange, the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol NXE and on the Australian Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol NXG.



KELLY OGLE

**CEO OF CGAI AND CHAIR,
EMISSIONS REDUCTION ALBERTA**

Join us in welcoming Kelly Ogle to speak at our 2025 Event. Kelly J. Ogle is the Chief Executive Officer of the CGAI. He also manages the Energy Security Forum and is the host of Energy Security Cubed, a weekly podcast discussing all facets of energy security. Mr. Ogle is a serial entrepreneur, scholar, and published author. He has served as a board member of several companies, public, private and not for profit, including the board of the Humboldt Broncos hockey club, where is a proud alumnus. Mr. Ogle received a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Saskatchewan, a Master of Strategic Studies from the University of Calgary and holds the ICD.D designation from the Institute of Canadian Directors.



STEPHEN BUFFALO

**PRESIDENT/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER,
INDIAN RESOURCE COUNCIL OF CANADA**

Mr. Buffalo is a proud member of the Samson Cree Nation. He graduated secondary school from Athol Murray College at Notre Dame, Saskatchewan. Mr. Buffalo holds a B.A. from Medicine Hat College and B.M. from University of Lethbridge. He worked for Peace Hills Trust for 15 years, most recently as the Regional Manager for Southern Alberta.

Mr. Buffalo sits on a numerous boards including being the first ever Indigenous Governor for the Canadian Energy Executive Association, Alberta Indigenous Opportunities Committee – Board of Directors, University of Calgary Redevelop Program, Clean Resource Innovation Network – Executive Committee, St. Mary's University – Calgary, and is the Vice President of the Notre Dame Hounds – National Alumni. Mr. Buffalo is traditionally and culturally connected. He is an avid golfer and enjoys dedicating his free time to coaching hockey.



GUY LONECHILD

**PRESIDENT AND CEO,
FIRST NATIONS POWER AUTHORITY**

Guy Lonechild is a well-known advocate for enabling growth and leading energy transformation pathway opportunities for First Nation communities in Canada and serves as President and CEO of First Nations Power Authority.

Mr. Lonechild serves on Bruce Power's New Nuclear Advisory Panel, chair of the Indigenous Advisory Council on New Nuclear, served as co-chair of Natural Resource Canada's SMR Leadership Table, and Indigenous Relations advisor to OPG's New Nuclear Review Board. His area of interest is Indigenous rightsholder, public and stakeholder engagement, innovations for development in new nuclear, renewables, project finance, and Indigenous-led power procurement initiatives in the Canadian electricity sector.

Recognized as a solution-oriented leader, Mr. Lonechild advocates for economic and environmental reconciliation as a path forward for stakeholders to harness the potential in alternative energy and supply chain opportunities that generate lasting benefits for Indigenous communities. He currently serves as board member of the Energy Council of Canada (ECC), Clean Energy Association of British Columbia (CEBC), and holds a Master of Business Administration from Cape Breton University and is a former leader of the Federation of Saskatchewan Indian Nations.



DEIDRE A. MACHT

**CO-FOUNDER AND C.C.O.,
THE ENERGY CONSORTIUM AND CARBON BANK**

Deidre Co-Founder and C.C.O. (Chief Climate Officer) for both the The Energy Consortium and Carbon Bank. Joining The Energy Consortium offers a plethora of benefits, particularly in the areas of environmental sustainability and carbon management. Members gain access to expert services in Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Enumeration, where the Consortium's specialists accurately quantify emissions, providing a crucial foundation for effective carbon management strategies. In addition to enumeration, the Consortium excels in Verification and Validation, ensuring that all carbon data and reduction claims are reliable, credible, and compliant with the highest standards.

Deidre is an ISO 14001 Lead Auditor which has influenced most of her contracts over the last 35 years and how now completed training under ISO 14064 as Alberta TIER to address Carbon Monitoring and monetization. Deidre spent 32 years as the contract Instructor for "Environment Health and Safety Concerns in Oil and Gas I & II". These courses are required as part of the Applied Bachelor Degree in Petroleum Engineering and the Petroleum Engineering Technology programs; at the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology, MacPhail School of Energy. She has designed and developed these courses, herself. They are a reflection of HS&E federal, provincial and municipal compliance requirements. Over the last 25 years she has coordinated both; an Oil and Gas internal advisory group along with a Synergy Group for Oil and Gas development in and around City of Calgary. Taking an integral role in all intercity and proximity locations dealing with Oil, Gas and Sour Gas well(s) or pipeline applications within municipal limits.

Deidre has worked with and trained a variety of Energy companies, First Nations Energy Bands and regulatory compliance boards across North America. She has provided compliance data modeling assistance to CAPP, CAPL, CAPLA, AEW, EPAC and the AER. Deidre is currently a director of "LIF" (Land Integrity Foundation) – LIF is a not for profit, multifaceted foundation that straddles, the Oil and Gas industry, Municipal Governments, Regulatory bodies, Builders and Developers, in relation to, the intertwining of these 4 entities as they relate to regulatory and liability reduction requirements.



TRACEY MCCRIMMON

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR,
SUNDRE PETROLEUM OPERATORS GROUP (SPOG).**

Tracey McCrimmon has over 30 years of experience working in the Alberta oil and gas industry.

After obtaining her designation in Petroleum Land Management, Ms. McCrimmon's career began in the land industry, where she worked as a surface landman for several years. This led her into fields such as public consultation, aboriginal affairs, stakeholder engagement, methane emissions reductions and emergency management.

Ms. McCrimmon has served as an industry member and Executive Director of the Sundre Petroleum Operators Group (SPOG) since 2006. SPOG is a grassroots not-for-profit society that responds to the interests and concerns of the residents, landowners and industry operators in their region. SPOG's initially started as an Emergency Response organization and continues its focus on Emergency Management and Response to this day. Ms. McCrimmon has also done multi-faceted training in Incident Command System (ICS) for Emergency Management.

Ms. McCrimmon is the Co-Chair and Project Manager for the Alberta Methane Emissions Management Program (AMEP). AMEP is a government funded program set up to support Alberta's methane emissions reduction efforts. AMEP's mandate is to support three key components: 1) Alberta Fugitive Emissions Management Program proposals (Alt-Femps), 2) Data Management and Analytics, and 3) New Technology Trials.

Ms. McCrimmon has completed her term as a Board Director with the Alberta Energy Regulator from 2020 to 2024 and was part of the Regulatory Review Committee, Human Resources Committee and finished her term as the Chair of the Governance Committee.

Ms. McCrimmon also completed her Institute of Corporate Directors (ICD.D) designation through the Rotman School of Management at the University of Toronto.



THOMAS ISAAC

**CHAIR,
ABORIGINAL LAW GROUP, CASSELS**

A nationally recognized authority in Aboriginal law, Tom advises business and government clients across Canada on Aboriginal legal matters and related regulatory, environmental assessment, negotiations and constitutional issues. Tom has extensive national experience advising energy, oil, gas, pipeline, mining, forestry, real estate and transportation companies, and federal, provincial, territorial, municipal and Indigenous governments and agencies on Aboriginal, regulatory and constitutional matters. He regularly negotiates on behalf of industry and governments concerning impact, benefit, economic development, replacement tenure, and access agreements with Aboriginal groups, and advises on Aboriginal consultation and accommodation processes and agreements. In recognition of his important and significant work in this area, Tom was honoured as one of Canada's "Top 25 Most Influential" lawyers by Canadian Lawyer magazine in 2018.

Tom's litigation practice is national in scope and focuses on representing clients in Aboriginal-related matters before courts and tribunals across Canada, including: Supreme Court of Canada, Federal Court of Canada, Ontario, British Columbia, Saskatchewan, New Brunswick and PEI Courts of Appeal and lower courts, Manitoba Court of King's Bench, New Brunswick Court of King's Bench, Northwest Territories, and Yukon Supreme Courts; and the Canadian Energy Regulator (formerly the National Energy Board), Ontario Energy Board, and British Columbia Environmental Appeal Board. His published works on Aboriginal law have been cited with approval by Canadian courts, including the Supreme Court of Canada and the Federal Court of Appeal. Tom has also served as a mediator involving complex, multi-jurisdictional Aboriginal-related disputes.



RICK WILSON

**MINISTER OF INDIGENOUS RELATIONS,
GOVERNMENT OF ALBERTA**

Rick Wilson was first elected as the Member of the Legislative Assembly for Maskwacîs-Wetaskiwin on April 16, 2019 and was re-elected on May 29, 2023.

Prior to his election, Mr. Wilson served 15 years as County Councilor with County of Wetaskiwin, seven years as Chairman of Crossroads Regional Health Authority, six years as Member of the Western Canadian Agriculture Debt Review Board, five years as School Board Trustee with Wetaskiwin Regional Public Schools and decades as a local business owner and farmer.

Mr. Wilson grew up and went to school with the First Nations of Maskwacîs. He lived near the 4 bands in the Summer Village of Ma-Me-O Beach, which he considers an integral part of his personal story.

Rick Wilson was re-sworn in as Minister of Indigenous Relations on June 9, 2023.



EUGENE HORSEMAN

FORMER HORSELAKE FIRST NATION CHIEF

Eugene Horseman was born and raised in Horse Lake First Nation where he was able to learn about the issues facing his community and where he had the opportunity to work directly on files and initiatives.

Eugene has served as an elected leader for over 12 years in his community. The last 4 of those years he was elected and served as Chief of Horse Lake First Nation. Eugene holds a long-term vision for indigenous peoples and has been working towards that vision for most of his adult life.

He has had the opportunity to apply what he learned in order to build a vision for his Nation. He has shown leadership in bringing innovative and practical solutions to his community, and was committed to building a more effective government and administration – with the aim of improving the lives of the members of Horse Lake First Nation.

Eugene has become recognized by Government, Industry and First Nation people as an effective and strategic leader on Indigenous issues. He is able to both hold a broad vision for his people, as well as be able to work through the process of implementing that vision. He has worked in collaboration with other communities to build initiatives that will benefit them. His special interests include: Youth, Education, Economic Development and Employment.

Eugene is Director of Business Development and partner at Status Energy. This position provides him with an opportunity to continue to engage partners and find ways to improve the lives of First Nation people within Grande Prairie as well as throughout Treaty 8, Alberta and across Canada.

Eugene's entrepreneurial spirit is a prime example of how industry, government and First Nation Communities can not only coexist but thrive.



LANE ARIAS

**PRESIDENT / HEAD TECHNICIAN,
MONITOR EMISSIONS INC.**

Lane Arias is the President and co-founder of Monitor Emissions Inc. He's a passionate advocate of working with Indigenous People to create greater opportunities in the Clean Energy Economy. Inspired by the legacy of his grandparents, the founders of Wonowon, B.C., who befriended and assisted the local Halfway River First Nations with governmental projects and relations.

Lane is dedicated to continuing this tradition of partnership with First Nations People. With over 30+ years in the Energy Industry his professional journey spans across Western Canada and includes:

- Oil & Gas Field and Manufacturing Instrumentation.
- Process Equipment Project Management.
- Technician / Project Management of Inspection Services utilizing Infrared and
 - Ultrasound Technologies.
- His success in industry is a result of combining practical field experience with front office
- project management skills. He can work with and connect with field workers and
- comprehend head office engineer's perspective.
- His qualifications and certifications include:
- Red Seal Journeyman Instrumentation Technician
- Project Manager
- Certified Thermographer
- Certified Ultrasound Technician (Airborne / Structural / Acoustic)
- Certified Advanced UAV (Drone) Pilot

Lane Arias is committed to evolving Monitor Emissions Inc. services with new rapidly advancing technologies that can assist industries push towards a sustainable Net Zero Future. He believes that empowering Indigenous Peoples with new, innovative technological insights—combined with their inherent knowledge and commitment to protecting Mother Earth—will provide a stronger direct path to global environmental sustainability.



ALAN FOGWILL

**PRESIDENT / HEAD TECHNICIAN,
MONITOR EMISSIONS INC.**

Allan Fogwill is the COO for Petroleum Technology Alliance Canada. He is an energy sector executive with over 35 years of experience in the public and private sectors. He has previously worked for think tanks, natural gas distribution companies and a provincial regulator of natural gas and electricity.

Allan has a Master's in natural resources economics from Simon Fraser University. He sits on the advisory boards of the Asia Pacific Energy Research Centre, the Canadian Centre for Energy Information, and the International Institute for Middle East and Balkan Studies. Mr. Fogwill is a 15-year veteran of the Canadian Forces.



JIM PARSONS

**VICE PRESIDENT,
OIL & GAS AT SPARTAN CONTROLS LTD.**

Jim is Vice President, Oil & Gas at Spartan Controls Ltd. , Executive Sponsor of Spartan's Sustainability Focus, and key stakeholder in Spartan's Indigenous relationships. Jim also serves as Executive Vice-Chair of Energy Connections Canada, Canada's National Pipeline Industry Association.

In Jim's 30-year career, he has worked in the Industrial Process Automation and Controls, Telecommunications, and Information Technology industries. Jim's prior roles have included Vice President, Business Development with Spartan and Vice President, Canada for Emerson, Automation Solutions.

Jim completed his business studies at the University of Winnipeg before relocating to Calgary in 1997 and continued his professional development at Queens School of Business, the Global Institute of Leadership Development (GILD), Emerson's executive development program and other studies.