



DURHAM STRATEGIC ENERGY ALLIANCE

Durham to Receive \$2.8 Million from Ontario Smart Grid Fund

Durham Region, ON (June 13, 2012) – The Durham Strategic Energy Alliance (DSEA) announced today that a consortium of DSEA members and other organizations has been awarded \$2.8 million from the Smart Grid Fund (SGF) for the ‘Durham Smart Grid Demonstration Project’.

Ontario Minister of Energy, Chris Bentley on June 8, 2012, made the decision public. Minister Bentley will be speaking about the provincial government’s smart grid and energy policy at the DSEA Breakfast at the Ajax Convention Centre, on June 26, 2012.

The ‘Durham Smart Grid Demonstration Project’ is collaboration between several DSEA members, including lead applicant Siemens Canada, Oshawa PUC Networks Inc, Whitby Hydro and, Veridian Connections, Intellimeter, Energent WireE, University of Ontario Institute of Technology (UOIT), Durham College, City of Pickering and the Region of Durham. The project’s objective is to build a control centre for three utilities to enable interaction, control, dispatching, monitoring, asset condition assessment, and load modeling/control/balancing of their systems. The project will create up to 29 new jobs in Durham Region.

“This is a great milestone and step forward for Durham Region, the DSEA and its members,” says Michael Kobzar, Chair of the DSEA. “This project facilitates collaboration, integration and synergy between a number of organizations, and allows us to accomplish together what no single organization can do alone. The DSEA is proud that the future of Smart Grid will be showcased right here in Durham Region, Ontario’s Energy Cluster”.

The Durham Strategic Energy Alliance (DSEA) is an organization that was established with a focus on building an innovative business community, create opportunities for members and provide sustainable solutions that leverage and build upon the existing strengths within Durham’s energy sector. Its vision is to foster partnerships, provide leadership and establish relationships among communities and all levels of government, business, and education further developing Durham as Ontario’s energy capital.

Learn More

Smart Grid Projects <http://news.ontario.ca/mei/en/2012/06/smart-grid-projects.html>

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