

An Islanded Grid Resource Center Event

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ISLANDED GRID WIND POWER CONFERENCE AGENDA

ALASKA PACIFIC UNIVERSITY • 4101 UNIVERSITY DRIVE • ANCHORAGE, ALASKA

WEDNESDAY MARCH 4, 2015

12:30pm	REGISTRATION OPENS (GRANT HALL)

AFTERNOON TRAINING SESSIONS **Lecture Hall Seminar Room Carr-Gottstein Building Carr-Gottstein Building** 1:00-2:00pm **Electrical Concepts for Non- Engineers** Rich Wies, University of Alaska Fairbanks Wind Diesel 101 **HOMER Modeling** 2:00-3:15pm Rich Stromberg, Alaska Energy Authority Peter Lilienthal, HOMER Energy Wind Diesel 201 3:30-5:00pm Rich Stromberg, Alaska Energy Authority

	THURSDAY • MARCH 5, 2015		
7:30am	REGISTRATION OPENS (GRANT HALL)		
8:00-8:15am	WELCOME		
PLENARY #1 8:15-9:45am E.R. Brown Auditorium, Grant Hall	THE STATE OF ISLANDED GRIDS TODAY Moderator: Chris Rose, Renewable Energy Alaska Project		
	Peter Asmus, Principal Research Analyst, Navigant Energy San Francisco, California		
	Ian Baring-Gould, National Renewable Energy Laboratory Golden, Colorado		
	Ted Peck, President, Tian Shan Renewable Energy Honolulu, Hawaii		
	Paula McGarrigle, Managing Director, SOLAS Energy Consulting Inc. Calgary, Canada		
9:45-10:15am	BREAK		
PLENARY #2 10:15-11:45am E.R. Brown Auditorium, Grant Hall	WIND DIESEL IN ALASKA Moderator: Peter Crimp, Crimp Energy Consulting		
	Steve Gilbert, Energy Projects Development Manager, Alaska Village Electric Cooperative Anchorage, Alaska		
	Brad Reeve, CEO, Kotzebue Electric Association Kotzebue, Alaska		
	Jan Tierson, Manager, TDX Power Anchorage, Alaska		
	Darron Scott, President/CEO, Kodiak Electric Association Kodiak, Alaska		
11:45-1:15pm	LUNCH (ATWOOD CENTER DINING HALL, 2 ND FLOOR)		
	THE HUMAN FACTOR Moderator: Steve Gilbert, Alaska Village Electric Cooperative		
PLENARY #3 1:15-2:45pm	Roderick Phillip, Vice-President, Chaninik Wind Group Kongiganak, Alaska		
E.R. Brown	Karen Johnson, Program Manager, Denali Commission Anchorage, Alaska		
Auditorium, Grant Hall	Greg Cashen, Deputy Commissioner, Alaska Department of Labor Juneau, Alaska		
	Mike Black, Program Development Director, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium (ANTHC) Anchorage, Alaska		
2:45-3:15pm	BREAK		
	BREAKING THE HIGH CONTRIBUTION CEILING Moderator: Ian Baring-Gould, National Renewable Energy Laboratory		
PLENARY #4 3:15–4:45pm	Rich Stromberg, Wind Program Manager, Alaska Energy Authority Anchorage, Alaska		
E.R. Brown Auditorium, Grant Hall	Kord Christianson, President, TDX Power Anchorage, Alaska		
	Phil Maker, ACEP Affiliated Research Faculty/Sr. Control Systems Engineer, Remote Operations, PowerWater Corp. Darwin, Australia		
4:45-7:00pm	RECEPTION - SPONSORED BY INNOVUS Carr-Gottstein Building		

FRIDAY • MARCH 6, 2015				
7:30am	REGISTRATION OPE	INS (GRANT HALL)		
8:00-8:15am	WELCOME			
Room locations	E.R. Brown Auditorium, Grant Hall	Lecture Hall, Carr-Gottstein Building		
PANELS 1 & 2 8:15-9:45am	ENERGY STORAGE Moderator: Gwen Holdmann, Alaska Center for Energy & Power	MARKET UPDATES Moderator: Peter Asmus, Navigant Research		
	RESEARCH UPDATES Lynn Trahey, Materials Scientist, Argonne National Laboratory Lemont, Illinois	(New ENGLAND): Suzanne MacDonald, Community Energy Director, Island Institute Rockland, Maine		
	ULTRACAPACITORS Bill Thomson, Technology & Training Superintendent, AK Village Electric Cooperative Anchorage, Alaska	(PACIFIC): Scott Haase, Manager of U.S. Dept. of Interior Programs, National Renewable Energy Laboratory Golden, Colorado		
	STORAGE CASE STUDY Dennis Meiners, Principal Operating Officer, Intelligent Energy Systems LLC Anchorage, Alaska	(Indonesia): Brian Hirsch, Sr. Project Leader for Alaska, National Renewable Energy Laboratory Anchorage, Alaska		
9:45-10:15am	BREAK			
PANELS 3 & 4 10:15-11:45am	DEMAND MANAGEMENT Moderator: Marc Mueller-Stoffels, Alaska Center for Energy & Power	GEARING UP FOR WIND Moderator: John Lyons, TDX Power		
	LOAD MANAGEMENT Reese Huhta, General Manager, Unalakleet Valley Electric Cooperative Unalakleet, Alaska	REGIONAL ENERGY PLANNING Jackie Qatalina Schaeffer, Project & Energy Specialist, WH Pacific Anchorage, Alaska		
	REDUCING THE HIGH COST OF ALASKA'S RURAL WATER SYSTEMS Eric Hanssen, Rural Energy Program Manager, ANTHC Anchorage, Alaska	WIND PROJECT PERMITTING: A CASE STUDY Robin Reich, President, Solstice Alaska Consulting, Inc. Anchorage, Alaska		
	THE KING ISLAND SMART GRID Tim Warren, Director, Saturn South Pty Sandy Bay, Tasmania	CONSTRUCTION LOGISTICS Jim St. George, STG Incorporated Anchorage, Alaska		
11:45-1:00pm	LUNCH (ATWOOD CENTER DINING HALL, 2 ND FLOOR)			
PANELS 5 & 6 1:00-2:30pm	BUILDING ON THE MICROGRID MOVEMENT Moderator: Brian Hirsch, National Renewable Energy Laboratory EMERGING GLOBAL TRENDS Peter Lilienthal, CEO, HOMER Energy Boulder, Colorado	SUPPLY CHAIN SPEED DATING Moderator: Stephanie Nowers, Islanded Grid Resource Center An opportunity to hear from and talk with manufacturer representatives about how their products fit into islanded grid systems		
	DEVELOPMENTS IN OFF-GRID AND "NEAR GRID" ISOLATED SYSTEMS Dan Zimmerle, Sr. Researcher & Director, Electric Power System Laboratory Fort Collins, Colorado IMPORTANCE OF ADVANCED MICROGRID CONTROL	XANT INNOVUS SUSTAINABLE POWER SYSTEMS VERGNET BEACON EWT		
	FUNCTIONALITY ON MICROGRID CONTROL FUNCTIONALITY ON MICROGRID DESIGN Alex Rojas, Chief Microgrid Systems Architect, Siemens Minnetonka, Minnesota	NORTHERN POWER HALUS HATCH		

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PANELS 7 & 8 3:00-4:30pm	DIESEL ISSUES IN WIND-DIESEL Moderator: Brent Petrie, Petrie & Associates	BUSINESS MODELS Moderator: Givey Kochanowski, U.S. Dept. of Energy's Office of Indian Energy	
	POWERHOUSE OPTIONS Marc Mueller-Stoffels, Power Systems Integration Program Director, Alaska Center for Energy & Power Fairbanks, Alaska	PROJECT FINANCING Greg Price, Business Development Director, Pacific Northern Environmental Portland, Oregon	
	DIESEL GENSET EFFICIENCY David Lockard, Rural Energy Group Lead Engineer, Alaska Energy Authority Anchorage, Alaska	IPPS AND P3S Ethan Berkowitz, Sr. Vice President, Strategies 360 Anchorage, Alaska	
	Engine and Tier Issues Steve Stassel, President, Gray Stassel Engineering Anchorage, Alaska	Accelerating Innovation D. Douglas Johnson, Business Development Director, Ocean Renewable Power Company (ORPC) Anchorage Alaska	
4:30-4:45pm E.R. Brown Auditorium, Grant Hall	HONORABLE BILL WALKER, GOVERNOR OF ALASKA		
PLENARY #5 4:45-5:45pm	THE WAY FORWARD: COLLABORATIVE OPPORTUNITIES AND NEXT STEPS Moderator: Chris Rose, Renewable Energy Alaska Project		
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SESSION DESCRIPTIONS

WEDNESDAY

WIND-DIESEL 101

This session will cover the basics of Wind-Diesel power systems, including an overview of wind, diesel technology and combined power systems, and some examples of current power systems. This introductory level course provides a basic level of understanding that will enable individuals to take an active role in the Wind-Diesel Workshop.

WIND-DIESEL 201

This session will provide an understanding of the role and operating principle of all the major components of a wind-diesel system, including control systems, secondary loads and voltage and frequency regulation.

ELECTRICAL CONCEPTS FOR NON- ENGINEERS

This class will introduce the basics of electrical concepts and cover power generation, common electrical components, and equipment.

USING THE HOMER PRO MODELING SOFTWARE

This session will demonstrate how to use the new HOMER Pro modeling software to predict the technical and economic performance of Wind-Diesel Systems. The workshop will be a hands-on training that steps attendees through the creation of HOMER models, starting with a very simple model and then developing a more complicated wind-diesel system. Attendees will learn how to use HOMER's simulation, optimization, and sensitivity analysis capabilities for conceptual design and feasibility studies. They will learn how to use HOMER to identify the correct wind power capacity to install, and where appropriate how much electrical storage makes sense. They will also be able to explore the trade-off between combined heat and power from diesel and secondary thermal loads powered by excess wind power. This session will also focus on tradeoffs between operating reserves and diesel minimum loading. The results will be applicable across a wide range of system designs and locations. Attendees are strongly encouraged to have the software installed on their computers and HOMER Energy can extend a trial license for attendees.

THURSDAY

THE STATE OF ISLANDED GRIDS TODAY

The market for islanded grids and islanded grid technology is small but rapidly growing, from applications in remote communities and islands to microgrids for developed regions. This moderated discussion will cover the state of the technology and market and identify developing trends.

WIND DIESEL IN ALASKA

Alaska is a world leader in developing wind-diesel hybrid systems. This moderated discussion with utility operators offers an overview of the types of systems currently operating in Alaska and highlights the challenges and opportunities faced by these operators in the more than 25 Alaskan communities now being powered by wind.

THE HUMAN FACTOR

Limited human capacity and expertise to operate and maintain wind systems in remote communities is an identified barrier to successful wind operation. What are the needs, opportunities, and existing successful models for resolving these issues?

BREAKING THE HIGH CONTRIBUTION CEILING

Creating successful high contribution systems remains the goal for remote communities. This moderated discussion will look at what the remaining financial technical and human barriers are to developing these systems, and identify strategies for overcoming those barriers.

FRIDAY

ENERGY STORAGE

A look at energy storage strategies, including advanced batteries and flywheels.

MARKET UPDATES

Markets are driven by many factors including local need, available resources, policy, and incentives. This session will provide an update of islanded grid markets in various regions.

DIESEL ISSUES IN WIND-DIESEL

This session focuses on the diesel side of wind-diesel. In an integrated system the diesel gen-set offers great opportunity for improved performance. This expert panel will discuss the impacts that wind has on diesel and how they might be mitigated.

GEARING UP FOR WIND

Planning, permitting and logistics are all key ingredients for a successful wind project. This panel will examine various options and best practices in these areas.

BUILDING ON THE MICROGRID MOVEMENT

Significant time, money and other resources are pouring into microgrid development around the world. What can remote wind-diesel systems derive from this activity in the microgrid space?

SUPPLY CHAIN SPEED DATING

An opportunity to hear from and talk with a number of hardware manufacturers and representatives about how their products fit into islanded grid systems.

DEMAND MANAGEMENT

Controlling demand is a key strategy for reducing peak loads and maintaining system stability. This panel will explore the costs, benefits and options of various demand management strategies.

BUSINESS MODELS

This panel will explore the costs, benefits and options for financing wind power systems as well as lessons learned and new strategies for islands and islanded grids.

THE WAY FORWARD, COLLABORATIVE OPPORTUNITIES AND NEXT STEPS

This moderated discussion will look at conference take-aways and explore various opportunities for future collaboration among operators, technical experts, policy makers and others.

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