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For Your Reading Interest...

www.canwea.org
www.bcsea.org

Greetings Members,

The proposal to BC Hydro for the Bear Mountain wind park was submitted on time in early April, and has passed the first level of screening for completeness. Now we must await BC Hydro's decision as to which projects it will approve and buy power from. A decision may come by August, but could be later into the fall. We are all very optimistic about our chances for success in this bidding process. Geo-technical analysis and environmental assessment of the site will continue through the summer.

We are soliciting professional advice in formulating our share offering so that we will be ready to receive additional member investments specifically for the Bear Mountain project when the time comes to begin construction.

We have reached another goal in our membership. We now have over 200 members! Interest in our co-op continues to spread, and we are still receiving strong support from our existing members. Thank you all for your confidence in our renewable energy future.

Have a great summer!

Steve Rison - President

<http://www.bcsea.org/publications/thejoule/007/default.asp>

The Joule from BCSEA has some very interesting articles this issue. Of particular interest to look for are 'Solar BC Heats Up' and 'Glimpsing the Future at the German Solar Capital'. As usual, a lot of other interesting information can also be found in The Joule and throughout the website.

<http://blogs.zdnet.com/emergingtech/?p=239>

<http://www.bchydro.com/news/2006/apr/release44093.html>

<http://www.productdose.com/2006/05/03/incandescent-vs-cfl-vs-led-light-bulb-challenge/>

For anyone out there who still hasn't switched from incandescent to compact florescent bulbs.

www.climatecrisis.net

Surely you have heard of Al Gore's movie 'An Inconvenient Truth'? If you get the chance I hear it is a fabulous movie, but many have also said it is also a scare tactic. See for yourself! The movie trailer is at the website.

www.peaceenergy.ca

The Peace Energy website is currently undergoing a complete update. Many changes will be made to it in the coming few weeks. There will be links to two submitted articles for you to read that are very interesting; 'Beating the Heat' and 'It's Happening'. Make sure you check into our website to see all the changes and to read these two articles.



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Membership News...

As of June 20th Peace Energy now has 204 members!!

We'd like to say Welcome to:

- Margret Bousfield
- Roy Mumby
- Grant Briggs
- Rose Garlinski
- Glenn and Anne Mah
- Valerie Saunders
- Mike Byl and Winnifred Hays-Byl

Canadian Wind Farm Installations

News from CanWEA...

A number of new wind farm developments have recently been commissioned in Canada.

- in Alberta, Phase 1 of Kettles Hill Wind Energy's Kettles Hill Project (9 MW) was recently commissioned near Pincher Creek.
- in Manitoba, Phase 2 of the Algonquin Power Income Fund's St. Leon project (84.15) MW was recently commissioned as well. The total rated capacity of the full project is 104 MW.
- June 12th, EPCOR's Kingsbridge I Wind Power project (39.6 MW) was officially commissioned in Ontario's township of Ashfield-Colborne-Wawanosh.
- together, these three projects increased Canada's installed wind energy capacity to 884 MW, with 201 MW of that total installed so far this year.
- with the commissioning of the final 33 turbines at SaskPower International's 149.4 MW Centennial Wind Power Facility in Saskatchewan, Canada's total installed wind energy capacity is now 943 MW. This facility is now the largest operating wind farm in Canada.

Canada has now installed 260 MW of new wind energy capacity this year – the most ever in a single year.



Getting Involved with Sustainable Energy...

You are invited to an informative meeting of the future South Peace chapter of the BC Sustainable Energy Association (BCSEA).

Wednesday June 28th
 at KPAC
 7:00 pm
 Studio 7

The BCSEA is a non-profit association of citizens, professionals and practitioners, committed to promoting the understanding, development, and adoption of sustainable energy and energy conservation and efficiency in British Columbia.

Read and learn more about BC SEA by visiting their website <http://www.bcsea.org>

As soon as we have 10 members from the South Peace area we can establish our own BCSEA Chapter and begin to have real influence on federal, provincial and municipal policy and planning with regards to energy. We would operate under the auspices of the provincial organization, yet would have a great deal of freedom to achieve sustainable energy objectives at the community level.

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