

Minnesota Smart Grid Business Roundtable Focus on Canada: cross-border opportunities

University of Minnesota Carlson School of Management Center for International Business Education and Research

Thursday February 2, 2012

Agenda

8:30 AM	Registration and Networking
9:00 – 9:10	Welcome and Introduction Steve Riedel, International Trade Representative, Minnesota Trade Office Michael Willmott, Consul and Trade Commissioner, Technology Partnering, Consulate General of Canada in Minneapolis
9:10 - 9:20	<i>Opening Remarks</i> Mr. Martin Loken, Consul General for Canada, Minneapolis
9:20 - 10:00	Smart Grid Collaboration Opportunities: Perspective from Canada Dr. Jatin Nathwani, Professor and Ontario Research Chair in Public Policy and Sustainable Energy Management, University of Waterloo
10:00 - 10:20	Break
10:20 – 10:35	Minnesota Smart Grid Trade Mission to Canada Steve Riedel, International Trade Representative, Minnesota Trade Office Stefan Popescu, US Commercial Service Toronto (by phone)
10:35- 11: 25-	US Smart Grid Competitiveness and Export Opportunities in Canada Andrew Bennett, Smart Grid Industry Analyst and International Trade Specialis U.S. Department of Commerce International Trade Administration
11:22 – 12:25	Panel Discussion on US-Canada Smart Grid experiences and opportunities Walter Levesque, Business Development Director, Energy Management Systems, Digi International Kevin Lauckner, Marketing Leader, Smart Grid Solutions



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12:25 – 12:45 *Break to get a sandwich*

12:45 – 1:00 Integration of solar energy into the grid

Lynn Hinkle, Policy Director of the Minnesota Solar Energy Industry

Association

1:00 – 1:30 Minnesota Smart Grid Company Spotlight

Josh Headlee, Accelerated Innovations, LLC

Farrokh Rahimi, OATI

1:30pm Conclusion—Solar Roundtable begins at 2:00pm