



Janet Holder

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Janet Holder, President, Enbridge Gas Distribution, will discuss how energy utilities can work to address climate change in the coming decades. Specifically, she will highlight what natural gas utilities, and the engineers they employ, can do to advance clean energy technologies as climate change increases as a priority for governments and citizens.

This environmental imperative will drive change, and have far-reaching effects not just for gas utilities, but for the entire energy sector.

As leaders in the development of clean energy technology, Enbridge Gas Distribution is already incorporating innovative technology into its business as it works to support the Province of Ontario's Green Energy and Green Economy Act.

A prime example of an innovative clean technology advanced by Enbridge is the world's first hybrid fuel cell power plant opened in October 2008. The plant harvests pipeline energy that would otherwise be wasted as it produces about 2.2 megawatts of ultra-clean, near zero-emissions electricity (or enough to serve about 1,700 Ontario homes).

Enbridge Gas Distribution will utilize its strengths in technology development and testing, market transformation programs and the development and delivery of energy efficiency initiatives to achieve their clean energy goals. The company is also lending its expertise to the public policy process, offering its perspective to governments interested in advancing green energy.

The company is also investigating renewable energy projects including wind, water, biomass, solar and geothermal energy generation facilities up to 10 megawatts in capacity.

Enbridge Gas Distribution is Canada's largest natural gas distribution company. Enbridge Gas Distribution and its affiliates distribute natural gas to about 1.9 million customers in Ontario communities including Toronto, Ottawa, Collingwood and Niagara.

An engineer by training, Ms. Holder also oversees Enbridge Ontario Wind Power, a 115-turbine wind project that produces up to 190 megawatts of renewable electricity near Kincardine, Ontario.