

EDA AWARDS

Honorary Members

Honorary Membership recognizes individuals who served the utility industry with distinction over a long period of time. An Honorary Member is not necessarily a utility representative. Contributions are acknowledged after the individual has left the utility-related industry.

If the individual was a utility representative, he/she must be nominated by an individual or utility from outside his/her own utility. The award is not necessarily an annual occurrence. Pursuant to the Association's By-Laws, Honorary Members shall be appointed or removed by a three-quarter (3/4) vote of the Board of Directors present at any Board of Directors meeting.

Nominations for Honorary Members can be submitted by Member Utilities, Association Committees, or the Board of Directors. All nominations should be forwarded to the Chief Executive Officer in writing no later than February 1st of the next calendar year.

Honorary Vice-President

D.P. Cliff, Dundas

Honorary Members

F.L.G. Askwith, Ottawa Hydro
S.A. Beesley, Westinghouse Canada
D.J. Black, Waterloo North Hydro
B. Prentice, Toronto Hydro
D.M. Seath, Stratford P.U.C.
W.W.A. Secord, York Hydro
A.W.H. Taber, Fort William Hydro
W.S. Taylor, Ontario Hydro
D.R. Larkworthy, Stratford P.U.C.
J.W. Hammond, Hamilton Hydro
V.T. Breen, Brampton Hydro
M. Nastich, Ontario Hydro
L.A. Coles, Ontario Hydro
T.J. Curtis, Scarborough P.U.C.
A.L. Furanna, London P.U.C.
D.J. Gordon, Ontario Hydro
J.M. Hambley, Ontario Hydro

D.E. Shipston, AMEU
J.F. Anderson, Leamington P.U.C.
M. McEwen, Gloucester Hydro
L. Podetz, Retired MEA Staff
Dr. B. Cresswell, Aylmer P.U.C.
D. Horkins, Toronto Hydro
J. O'Brien, St. Catharines Hydro
J. Middel, St. Thomas P.U.C.
B. Repp, Retired MEA Staff
S.R. Walkinshaw, Orillia Water, Light & Power
T.R. Gawley, Blenheim P.U.C.
M. Fair, Ridgeway P.U.C.
Chuck Tallon, E&USA
Margaret Nesbitt, Retired MEA Staff
Gunars Ceksters, Enersource Corp

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Chair's Citation

The Chair's Citation is awarded to a Board Member/Commissioner, President/CEO/Manager or employee of a utility member who has distinguished himself/herself through outstanding, dedicated service to the Association and the industry over an extended period of time or contributed to a special project of benefit to the Association. This award also allows posthumous recognition of individuals whose significant contributions to the EDA and/or the industry have not previously been acknowledged with an Association award.

Nominations for the award must be made by an individual or utility from outside the utility of the individual being nominated. The award is not necessarily presented on an annual basis.

All award recipients are entitled to complimentary registration to the EDA Annual Meeting in the year in which they receive the award. In subsequent years, award winners will be eligible, once they have left the industry, to receive a complimentary invitation to the AGM Dinner.

Nominations for the Chair's Citation can be submitted by Member Utilities, Association Committees, or the Board of Directors. All nominations should be forwarded to the Chief Executive Officer in writing no later than February 1st of the next calendar year.

Recipients

Ralph Nicol, Leamington, 1996
Don Dowds, Barrie, 1997
William J. Scott, York, 1998
Charlie Macaluso, MEARIE, 1999
John Wiersma, Pickering, 1999
Glen McFarlane, Sarnia, 2000
Homer Vandervecht, Leamington, 2000
Darius Vaiciunas, Collus, 2003
Murray Moore, Ottawa River Power, 2004
Gunars Ceksters, Enersource, 2004
Robert Lake, Peterborough, 2005
John Alton, Peninsula West, 2006 (presented posthumously)
Guy Cluff, Westario Power, 2007

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Robert H. Hay Award of Exceptional Merit

Initiated in 1985 by the Ontario Municipal Electric Association (OMEA), the award is named after Dr. Robert Henderson Hay, a 30-year contributor to the hydro-electric industry in Ontario.

The Robert H. Hay Award of Exceptional Merit is awarded to those individuals who have made a contribution of exceptional merit over an extended period of time to the Association and to the electricity distribution industry on behalf of the citizens of Ontario. The award is presented in recognition of outstanding citizenship qualities as evidenced by personal integrity, unselfish, devoted and energetic service to the Association and through it, to the people of Ontario.

Nominations for this award must be made by an individual or utility from outside the utility of the individual being nominated. The award is not necessarily presented on an annual basis.

In 1989, the award was given to the six individuals who served on the Implementation Committee for the merger of the Ontario Municipal Electric Association and the Association of Municipal Electrical Utilities (of Ontario).

All award recipients are entitled to complimentary registration to the EDA Annual Meeting in the year in which they receive the award. In subsequent years, award winners will be eligible, once they have left the industry, to receive a complimentary invitation to the AGM Dinner.

Nominations for the Robert H. Hay Award can be submitted by Member Utilities, Association Committees or the Board of Directors. All nominations should be forwarded to the Chief Executive Officer no later than February 1st of the next calendar year.

Recipients

Arthur J. Bowker, Ottawa, 1985
Douglas G. Hugill, Sault Ste. Marie, 1985
Edwin C. Nokes, Niagara-on-the-Lake, 1987
William C. Rowney, Milton, 1989
Donald J. Black, Waterloo North, 1989
Jack Wratten, Brantford, 1989
Donald McKee, North York, 1989
Arthur J. Bowker, Ottawa, 1989
H. Neil Britton, Belleville, 1989
Donald McKee, North York, 1993
Carl Anderson, North York, 1993
Ron Noonan, Oakville, 1994
Ernie Alexander, Barrie, 1995
Don Hamilton, Aurora, 1996
Keith Matthews, Brampton, 1998
Carl Kropp, Ottawa, 2000
Pauline Storcks, Veridian, 2001
John Wiersma, Veridian, 2004
Larry Hebert, Thunder Bay, 2005
Jim MacKenzie, Guelph, 2006

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Pauline Storks Directors Award

The award is named after Pauline Storks, a Local Distribution Company (LDC) Director who, during her long years of service, showed tireless dedication, leadership, passion and commitment to the Association and its mission. The Pauline Storks Directors Award is awarded to an individual who has demonstrated leadership, passion and commitment in serving and promoting the Association and its mission. The recipient must be a Director of a Local Distribution Company.

All award recipients are entitled to complimentary registration to the EDA Annual Meeting in the year in which they receive the award. Nominations for the award must be made by an individual or utility from outside the utility of the individual being nominated. The award is not necessarily presented on an annual basis. Nominations may be submitted by Member Utilities, Association Committees or the Board of Directors. All nominations should be forwarded to the Chief Executive Officer no later than February 1st of the next calendar year.

Recipients

Don MacMaster, Whitby, 2005

Foreign Study Tour Award

Created in 2009, the Foreign Study Tour Award recognizes the efforts and contributions of a member-LDC employee for their high level of participation in Association Councils, committees and working groups. Recipients of the award are given the opportunity to tour an international destination relevant to the distribution industry and to bring back information to share with LDC members - funded and jointly administered by the EDA.

Applicants must be employees of LDC members of the EDA. LDC members may only nominate one candidate per year and all award applications must be accompanied by an endorsement by the applicant's Chief Executive or Seconder.

All nominations should be forwarded to the Chief Executive Officer no later than February 1st of the next calendar year.

Recipients

Tim Wilson, Thunder Bay Hydro, 2009

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W.R. Mathieson Award

This award, initiated in 1983 by the Association of Municipal Electrical Utilities of Ontario (AMEU), is named after W.R. Mathieson, who served as General Manager of the AMEU, contributing to the municipal distribution systems of the province over a period of 34 years.

The W.R. Mathieson Award is presented when, in the opinion of the Selection Committee, a local electricity distribution utility has distinguished itself among its peers by:

- (a) Demonstrating outstanding performance and leadership in the electric utility field in Ontario;
- (b) Having enhanced the work and prestige of the Association.

Nominations for this award must be made by an individual or utility from outside the utility being nominated. The award is not necessarily presented on an annual basis.

Nominations for the W.R. Mathieson Award can be submitted by Member Utilities, Association Committees or the Board of Directors. All nominations should be forwarded to the Chief Executive Officer in writing no later than February 1st of the next calendar year.

Recipients

North York Hydro-Electric Commission, 1983
London Public Utilities Commission, 1985
Leamington Public Utilities Commission, 1989
Ottawa Hydro-Electric Commission, 1992
Port Hope Hydro, 1993
Brampton Hydro, 1999
Guelph Hydro, 2000
Veridian Connections Inc., 2001

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LDC Performance Excellence Award

Sponsored by: Ontario Power Generation (OPG)

Created in 2006, the LDC Performance Excellence Award is sponsored by Ontario Power Generation (OPG) and presented to a local electricity distribution company member of the EDA that has distinguished itself among its peers by performance excellence in the following areas:

- Occupational Health and Safety
- Operational Excellence
- Financial Operations
- Retail Strategies for Conservation and Demand Management
- Contribution to the Community

LDC members of the EDA may nominate their own or a peer utility. All nominations should be forwarded to the Chief Executive Officer no later than February 1st of the next calendar year.

Recipients

Horizon Utilities Corp, 2006
Hydro Ottawa Limited, 2007
Hydro One Brampton Networks Inc., 2008
Enersource Hydro Mississauga Inc., 2009
PowerStream Inc., 2010

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Innovation Award

Each year, the Electricity Distributors Association calls for member utilities to submit their best customer service and public relations programs for consideration in its Annual Innovation Awards competition. Through the Innovation Awards program, the Association has the opportunity to see the array of programs that member utilities are running to serve their customers, and to promote the strengths of the local utility. Winning entries are awarded under either the customer service or public relations categories.

Customer Service Category

Eligible programs are those which are innovative, directed at specific customers or customer groups and which enhance the value of the utility and its services to those customers.

Public Relations Category

Eligible programs are those which are innovative and inform the public about the utility and the utility's value to the community. The award is not necessarily presented on an annual basis.

All nominations should be forwarded to the Chief Executive Officer no later than February 1st of the next calendar year.

Recipients

Customer Service Category

Whitby Hydro, 2001 Joint Trench Secondary Services
Gravenhurst Hydro, 2004 Pileated Woodpecker Decoy Program
Brantford Power, 2005 Conserving Homes Program
Toronto HES, 2006 Summer Challenge Program
Toronto HES, 2007 Summer Challenge for Business Program
Burlington Hydro Inc., 2008 Switching Automation Program
Toronto HES, 2009 Get Smart Toronto Campaign
Toronto HES, 2010, 'Beat the Peak' Campaign

Public Relations Category

Guelph Hydro, 2001 History of the Board of Light & Heat Commissioners, City of Guelph
Gravenhurst Hydro, 2003 Aerial Meter Reads/Cottage Watch Program
Toronto HES, 2005 Toronto Unplugged Campaign
Barrie Hydro Distribution Inc., 2007 ENERGY STAR Awareness Program
Hydro Ottawa Limited, 2008 Companies for Conservation Program
Brantford Power Inc., 2009 Greening the Village Initiative
Burlington Hydro Inc., 2010, GridSmartCity™ Outreach Program

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Environmental Excellence Award

The EDA Environmental Excellence Award recognizes one or more member utilities for outstanding efforts in striving to protect and improve the environment. Selection criteria include:

- Environmental Benefits: short- and long-term impacts of the program
- Stewardship: degree to which the program encourages improved stewardship within the utility and the community
- Economic Benefit: degree of economic benefit to the utility and the community
- Innovation: degree of originality of the program
- Applicability: extent to which the program could be adopted by other utilities
- The award is not necessarily presented on an annual basis.

All nominations should be forwarded to the Chief Executive Officer no later than February 1st of the next calendar year.

Recipients

Waterloo North Hydro, 1994 - Energy & Environmental Committee
Cornwall Electric, 1995 - Cornwall's Energy Efficiency Team
Gravenhurst Hydro, 1997 - High Pressure Sodium Lamp Reducer (Small Utility Category)
Cornwall Electric & Halton Hills Hydro, 1997 - Central District Heating Project-
Save the Trees Project
Nanticoke Hydro, 1998 - Trees for Tomorrow (Small Utility Category)
Brampton Hydro, 1998 - Environmental Management System
Cambridge & North Dumfries Hydro, 1999 - Bald Eagle Nesting Platform
Halton Hills, 2000 - Save the Black Creek
Toronto HES, 2002 - Fleet Biodiesel Program
Hydro One Remote Communities, 2003 - Environmental Management System
Toronto HES, 2004 - Industrial Solar Power Generation Project
Bluewater Power, 2005 - Environmental Management System
Guelph Hydro Electric Systems, 2007 – City of Guelph Community Energy Plan
Kingston Hydro Corp, 2008 - Enabling Distributed Generation, Empowering Kingston Program
PowerStream Inc., 2009 – Environmental Leadership
Essex Powerlines Corp., 2010 – Largest Rooftop Solar Installation in Canada

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Presidential Citation

This award was discontinued in 2002, following the restructuring of the Association from the MEA to the EDA, as the EDA does not have a member President. The criteria for this award are now included under the Chair's Citation.

Prior to 2002, the Presidential Citation was awarded to an individual(s) associated with an Association member (employee or Board Member) who had distinguished himself/herself or contributed to a special project of benefit to the Association. The award was not necessarily given annually.

In 2001, the EDA Board of Directors were awarded the Citation as a group in recognition of their combined efforts during the transition from the MEA to the new organization and mandate of the EDA.

Recipients

J.F. Cook, Windsor, 1953	R. Cavanagh, Scarborough, 1992
C.W. Boadway, Toronto, 1954	A. Dobronyi, London, 1993
A.W. Murdock, Ontario Hydro, 1954	J. MacKenzie, Guelph, 1994
A.L. Furanna, London, 1955	Karl Wahl, Mississauga, 1999
W. Ross Strike, Q.C., Bowmanville, 1955	James Richardson, Innisfil, 1999
J.G. Sutherland, Hamilton, 1955	Dave Sinclair, Kenora; 2001
W.R. Mathieson, Toronto, 1957	Neil Bryson, Burlington; 2001
J.A. Williamson, Niagara Falls, 1965	Ed Houghton, Collus; 2001
J.A. Torrance, Etobicoke, 1970	Dan Moziar, Guelph; 2001
N.H. MacKinnon, Sudbury, 1971	Pauline Storks, Veridian; 2001
G.E. Gathercole, Ontario Hydro, 1974 D.E.	John Sanderson, Aurora; 2001
Shipston, London, 1980	Brian Hollywood, St. Thomas; 2001
D.K. White, North York, 1981	Don MacMaster, Whitby; 2001
T.J. Curtis, Scarborough, 1982	Robert Cornish, West Coast Huron; 2001
A.G. Stacey, Guelph, 1982	Ross Peever, Northern Ont. Wires; 2001
H.N. Britton, Belleville, 1985	Robert Mace, Thunder Bay; 2001
W.C. Noakes, Windsor, 1988	Ken Quesnelle, Woodstock; 2001
J. Craig, EUSA, 1988	Rick Archdekin, Midland, 2001
A. Cousins, Wallaceburg, 1992	C.C. Macaluso, EDA CEO, 2001
R. Walker, Mississauga, 1992	

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Special Recognition Award

Prior to 2002, this award allowed posthumous recognition of individuals whose significant contributions to the Association and/or the industry were not previously acknowledged with an Association award.

From 2002 forward, posthumous recognition may be awarded with a Chair's Citation.

Recipients

Dr. Orm Murphy, Smiths Falls Hydro, 2000
Norm Matheson, South Glengarry, 2000

Long Service Awards

Until 2002, Long Service Awards for Board Members/Commissioners and utility personnel were presented by the Association following significant years of service.

A special long service award was presented in 1994 to D. French of Norwich PUC for over 50 years of service.

In 2002, the EDA Board of Directors discontinued the practice of issuing Long Service Awards, in recognition of the rapidly changing marketplace and of this activity being more appropriately the role of individual members and/or District Associations.