Symposium:

Risks and Opportunities for the Portfolio Generator

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In Ontario, some 70% of generation is owned and operated by OPG. How is the bidding from large numbers of generators co-ordinated, particularly with shared water-courses? How does OPG respond to generation shortfall messages from the IMO? How is it decided whether to export, sell on contract or to the spot market? How exposed is OPG to spot market volatility and how is this risk managed. What are the key factors affecting investment planning?

OPG’s goal is to be a premier North American energy company, while operating in a safe, open and environmentally responsible manner.

Bio

Ron Robinson was appointed to his current position in February 2001 and is responsible for optimizing the value of OPG’s portfolio of energy related assets, including fuels, generation, electricity, emissions and all associated transportation logistics.

Ron Robinson's previous responsibilities in OPG Energy Markets included Director of Marketing (2000) and Director of Product Structuring (1999).

In 1981, Ron Robinson began his career at Ontario Hydro, the predecessor company of OPG, in Power Systems Operations. Between 1981 and his appointment to Director of Product Structuring in 1999, he held various positions of increasing responsibility in the domains of operations (generation and transmission), international consulting and commercial activities. Since 1995 Ron Robinson's activities have been focused on building OPG's capabilities to compete in North American’s deregulated energy markets.

Ron Robinson was born in Sussex, New Brunswick and raised in Rothesay, New Brunswick. He currently resides in Oakville, Ontario and is married with 3 children.

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