

HOW THE OIL SANDS GOT TO THE GREAT LAKES BASIN: PIPELINES, REFINERIES AND EMISSIONS TO AIR AND WATER

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9:00 am to 4:30 pm EDT

Vivian and David Campbell Conference Centre
Munk Centre for International Studies at the University of Toronto
1 Devonshire Place
Toronto, Ontario, M5S 3K7

Convened by
The Program on Water Issues at the University of Toronto's Munk Centre for International Studies

AGENDA

PLEASE NOTE: Web Cast of this conference will begin at 9:00AM (EDT)

- 8:30 – 9:00 **REGISTRATION AND COFFEE**
- 9:00 – 9:15 **Welcome, Introductory Remarks and Introduction of Author – Adele Hurley, Director, Program on Water Issues, Munk Centre for International Studies**
- 9:15 – 9:45 **Remarks by David Israelson – author, *How the Oil Sands Got to the Great Lakes Basin: Pipelines, Refineries and Emissions to Air and Water***
- 9:45 – 11:00 **Oil Sands Refinery Expansion in the Great Lakes Basin: Who wins? Who loses? Who pays?**

PANEL:

Eric Schaeffer – Executive Director, Environmental Integrity Project, Washington, DC
Robert Page – Transalta Professor of Environmental Management and Sustainability and Chair of the National Round Table on Environment and the Economy
John Beaucauge – Grand Council Chief, Union of Ontario Indians
Matt Price – Project Manager Energy and Climate Change, Environmental Defence Canada, Toronto, ON
David Coles – President, Communications, Energy and Paperworkers Union of Canada
Howard A. Learner – Executive Director, Environmental Law and Policy Centre, Chicago, IL

- 11:00 – 11:15 **BREAK**

11:15 – 12:30 **Accelerated Energy Development in the Great Lakes Basin and Cleaner Air and Water: Can we have both?**

PANEL:

Allan Chambers – Alberta Research Council, Edmonton, AB

Farhad Seif – Outgoing Chair of the National Environment Committee of the Canadian Petroleum Products Institute, and Manager, Environment, Health and Safety, Petro Canada

Dr. Albert Schumacher – Former President, Canadian Medical Association and Former President, Ontario Medical Association, Windsor, ON

Ed Piché – Member, International Air Quality Advisory Board of the International Joint Commission

Ann Alexander – Senior Attorney, Natural Resources Defense Council, Chicago, IL

Representative – Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Toronto, ON (*invited*)

12:30 – 1:45 **LUNCH**

1:45 – 2:15 **Upgrading and Refining Alberta Crude in the Great Lakes Basin: Will it lower the price of gas at the pump? Provide a hedge against the threat of peak oil? Enhance energy security?**

PRESENTATION followed by Q&A:

Andrew Logan – Director, Oil and Gas Industry Program, Centre for Education and Research in Environmental Strategies, Boston, MA

2:15 – 2:45 **The Expansion of Pipeline Corridors: What is the risk to aquifers and wetlands?**

Panel:

David Core – President and CEO, Canadian Alliance of Pipeline Landowners' Associations

Carl Weimer – Executive Director, Pipeline Safety Trust, Bellingham, WA

2:45 – 3:00 **BREAK**

3:00 – 4:00 **Questions and Answers (live and web audiences)**

4:00 **Wrap Up**

4:00 – 6:00 **RECEPTION – Munk Centre**