



CEA SUSTAINABLE ELECTRICITY AWARDS

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Excellence and
Innovation in the
Electricity Sector
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Electricity**
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ABOUT SUSTAINABLE ELECTRICITY

Sustainable Electricity is an industry-wide sustainability program developed and implemented by the electric utility members of the Canadian Electricity Association (CEA).

Sustainable Electricity seeks out synergies between the three pillars of sustainability – environmental, social and economic development. These pillars guide the industry in managing its impacts and contributions to a prosperous future for Canadians.

This year marks the 2nd annual presentation of the Sustainable Electricity Awards. The awards recognize and celebrate excellence and innovation within the utility sector for the 2010 calendar year. There are four categories:

- **Sustainability Company of the Year**
- **Environmental Commitment**
- **Social Responsibility**
- **Economic Excellence**

Sustainable Electricity Awards Panel

Award submissions were evaluated by the program's independent Public Advisory Panel, chaired by the Honorable Mike Harcourt, 30th Premier of British Columbia. Other Panel members include Mr. Darrell Bishop, Dr. Ken Ogilvie, Mr. David Oulton, Professor Yves Le Bouthillier, and Dr. Judith Sayers.

Journalist of the Year Award

Complementing the Sustainable Electricity Awards is the 2nd annual Journalist of the Year award. This award recognizes a journalist who contributes to public discourse in Canada on sustainability and electricity. The nominations were reviewed and a winner selected by a panel of media professionals comprised of Dr. Allan Bonner (Allan Bonner Communications Management Inc.), Mr. Don Newman (life member of the Canadian Parliamentary Press Gallery) and Mr. Glenn Schneider (Division Manager, Public Affairs, Manitoba Hydro).

Learn more about electricity sector innovation and the award winners at SustainableElectricity.ca.



2010 SUSTAINABILITY COMPANY OF THE YEAR AWARD

WINNER: HORIZON UTILITIES CORPORATION

PRESIDENT AND CEO: MR. MAX CANANZI

Horizon Utilities Corporation was selected for this award for its exemplary performance in all three areas of sustainable development — environment, social and economic. In 2010, Horizon Utilities became the first local distribution company (LDC) in Canada to achieve an A+ ranking through the Global Reporting Initiative™ (GRI).

With respect to conservation and sustainability, Horizon continued to demonstrate a leadership role, fostering a culture of conservation internally through employee involvement and outwardly by enhancing its environmental controls and outputs. In the community, Horizon launched a successful outreach program which resulted in large commercial customers significantly reducing their energy costs.

Horizon's social commitment encompasses education—particularly targeted at youth—community engagement and commitment to health and safety. Notable achievements in these areas include a number of youth programs (*Generation Conservation*, *kidzpower*®, *Power for Tomorrow*, *Reality House* and *Play It Safe*) as well as the initiation of the Golden Horseshoe Strategic Alliance.

Horizon delivers among the lowest operating costs and residential and commercial rates in the province and generates among the strongest returns for shareholders. This has led to one of the highest credit ratings of all municipal utilities (Standard and Poor's A-stable rating) in Ontario. To further enhance the economic performance of the Horizon family of companies, *Horizon Energy Solutions* was launched in 2010. This new venture provides commercial customers across Ontario with utility-grade renewable energy solutions and energy management services that generate benefits for the customer and the environment.

Contributing to the sustainability of its communities, and driving engagement, innovation and success are key Horizon objectives. The utility has demonstrated strong, progressive leadership in Ontario's energy sector while delivering strong sustainability-based performance for the benefit of its customers and communities.



Horizon's energy conservation initiatives have resulted in power and emissions savings equivalent to powering more than 9600 homes for one year or taking 5700 cars off the road.