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Happy, Wonderful Holidays



President's message:

As we bid farewell to another incredible year, I wanted to take a moment to reflect on the progress of major pipelines here in Canada. It has been an extraordinary year of mainline construction and I am immensely proud to be part of this industry.

Throughout 2023, our dedicated members of the Pipeline Contractors Association of Canada have worked tirelessly to ensure the safe and efficient transportation of vital resources across our beautiful nation. With their expertise and unwavering commitment to excellence, we have witnessed and are about to witness soon, the successful completion of numerous significant pipeline projects that have contributed to Canada's economic prosperity and energy security.

The importance of our association cannot be overstated. By being a member of the Pipeline Contractors Association of Canada, we have all demonstrated our shared commitment to upholding the highest standards of safety, environmental stewardship, and industry best practices. Together, we have fostered a collaborative environment where knowledge-sharing and innovation thrive, enabling us to overcome challenges and push the boundaries of what is possible.

Looking ahead, I am thrilled to announce that our 70th annual convention will take place in the breathtaking city of Niagara Falls in 2024. This will be an incredible opportunity for all of us to come together, network, and celebrate the achievements of our industry while forging new connections and partnerships. It is a testament to our collective strength and determination that we can assemble in such a remarkable location. Check out this newsletter for details and a sneak peek.

As we enter this holiday season, let us cherish the moments we have spent together, the milestones we have achieved, and the friendships we have forged. It is through our shared vision and unwavering support for one another that we can continue to make a positive impact on the pipeline industry in Canada.

On behalf of the Pipeline Contractors Association of Canada, I extend my warmest wishes to each and every one of you for a joyous and peaceful holiday season. May it be filled with love, laughter, and the company of cherished family and friends. Let us recharge our spirits and return in 2024 with renewed enthusiasm and determination to build a brighter future for our industry.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Wes Waschuk'.

Wes Waschuk

2023-24 President, Pipeline Contractors Association of Canada And President of Waschuk Pipeline Construction Ltd.

PLCAC ATTENDS IPLOCA'S 55TH ANNUAL CONVENTION IN VANCOUVER, BC



Juan Arzuaga, IPLOCA Outgoing Executive Secretary, Kelly Osborn, IPLOCA President 2022-2023, Kevin O'Donnell, PLCAC Executive Director, Roberto Castelli, IPLOCA President 2023-2024, Wes Waschuk, PLCAC President, and Georges Hage, IPLOCA Incoming Executive Secretary

From September 11 to 15, 2023, the President of the Pipe Line Contractors Association of Canada (PLCAC), Wes Waschuk and the Executive Director, Kevin O'Donnell, were in attendance at the annual convention of the International Pipe Line & Offshore Contractors Association (IPLOCA) in Vancouver, British Columbia.

One of the significant highlight of the event was the induction of Mr. Roberto Castelli from Bonatti S.p.A. as the new President of IPLOCA for the term 2023-2024.

The members of the Pipe Line Contractors Association of Canada wish Mr. Castelli success throughout his tenure as the IPLOCA President. We are optimistic that Mr. Castelli's leadership will continue promoting cooperation and progress within the international community of pipeline and offshore contractors.

UNITED ASSOCIATION LOCAL 170 CELEBRATED 125 YEARS

In September 2023, the United Association Local 170 in British Columbia celebrated 125 years!

The Pipeline Contractors Association of Canada was represented by Wes Waschuk, PLCAC President and Kevin O'Donnell, PLCAC Executive Director at the celebrations. The PLCAC acknowledged the impact of UA Local 170 on the pipeline industry and expressed their sincere congratulations on reaching this remarkable milestone. This event was a testament to the UA and its community.



Wes Waschuk, PLCAC President, Heiko Wiechern, U.A. International Representative, and Kevin O'Donnell, PLCAC Executive Director

PLCAC 2023-2024 MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY NOW AVAILABLE

The 2023-2024 Membership Directory for the Pipe Line Contractors Association of Canada were mailed to members in early fall. The directory provides up-to-date contact information of all regular and associate members and serves as an important resource to current members and those who have recently joined the association. All PLCAC members have access to the online version of the directory at www.pipeline.ca.

For your convenience, the online version of the Membership Directory is updated throughout the year as we are notified of internal changes.

If you did not receive a hard copy and would like to, or have any revisions, please contact the PLCAC office at 905-847-9383 or plcac@pipeline.ca.

REMEMBERING BRIAN GANSKE (1954-2023)



Brian Ganske passed away on October 27, 2023 in Bellingham, Washington. He started working at Snelson Companies, Inc. in 1969 until he retired in 2011 as part owner of the company, and continued to consult after his retirement until 2023. He was a board member with the Pipe Line Contractors Association (PLCA) from 2003 to 2018 and was elected President in 2010. He was on the labour committee for 7 years and was a trustee for the Pipeline Industry Advancement fund for 6 years. Brian was an active member in his community and was recognized by the Sedro-Woolley School District and Sedro-Woolley community for his outstanding accomplishments.

Brian and his wife Joanie were married in 1974 in Sedro-Woolley and enjoyed travelling together. He also enjoyed fishing in Alaska and spending time with family. He will be missed by his family and friends.

Member Innovation:



SFL CANUSA-CPS SCAR-GUARD® Fiberglass System for Directional Drilling Protection



Scar-Guard® is a superb line of products designed to protect field joints and fully encapsulate mainline coatings from mechanical stresses and scarring associated with horizontal directional drilling (HDD), boring and micro-tunneling of pipelines.

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Scar-Guard® is available to global markets, project owners and contractors. For more information, contact Dean Dunsby, Canadian Regional Manager at dean.dunsby@sealforlife.com or visit www.canusacps.com.

Also, you can download the SFL CANUSA-CPS SCAR-GUARD FIBERGLASS SYSTEM BROCHURE at https://canusacps.com/non_html/pds/PDS_NA_SCG.pdf

Summit Pipeline Services ULC – TC Energy: Indigenous Career Fair and Subcontractor Mixer

Garden Village, Ontario

The pipeline industry recognizes that engaging Indigenous people in pipeline careers is part of promoting inclusive and equitable work environment, access to well-paid jobs and economic growth opportunities.

In August 2023, Summit Pipeline Services ULC represented its business and notably the great work that its partner unions, IUOE (International Union of Operating Engineers), LiUNA (Laborers' International Union of North America), Teamsters Canada and UA (United Association) do for TC Energy every day throughout their mainline system.

Representatives from Summit Pipeline Services ULC spoke with potential Indigenous workforce participants and subcontractors about working with the Pipeline Integrity markets. Summit Pipeline Services ULC is thankful for the great support from all local and international unions as well as the Pipe Line Contractors Association of Canada (PLCAC) for both materials and information content that was shared with potential candidates looking to enter the pipeline industry as a career choice.



Summit Pipeline Services ULC notably showcased the benefit of choosing Union as both of a place of employment, and as a strong choice for TC Energy to meet its integrity requirement.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR & PLCAC ENGAGEMENTS:

The PLCAC Executive Director, Kevin O'Donnell and the team have been actively participating in events to promote the Pipe Line Contractors Association members' cause in the Canadian energy market.

In September 2023, Kevin O'Donnell attended the World Petroleum Congress 2023 in Calgary. He had a lengthy meetings with the Premier of Alberta, Danielle Smith, Alberta Minister of Energy, Brian Jean, Christopher McPherson, Deputy Minister Jobs, Economy and Trade, and the Canadian Ambassador to Saudi Arabia, Jean-Philippe Linteau.

In October 2023, team members attended the B.C. Municipalities Forum where they had the opportunity to meet with Enbridge's stakeholder and project teams.

The PLCAC attended Canada's Energy "Living Up to Our Superpower" breakfast event in Toronto sponsored by the Toronto Region Board of Trade. Enbridge CEO Greg Ebel gave a passionate address on Canada's role as a world renowned and responsible energy Superpower.



PLCAC STAFF MESSAGE

As 2023 comes to an end, we want to thank you for your continued support and membership.

This past year was filled with opportunities and challenges. With your partnership we have been successful in producing several safety videos, welcoming 15 new members, and successfully running the 69th annual AGM and Convention in Victoria. We are excited about the New Year and can't wait to see you at the 70th AGM and Convention in Niagara Falls, Ontario in May 2024!



May your holiday season be filled with joy, laughter, and love of those dearest to you. We hope you have time for peace and relaxation and create beautiful memories that will last a lifetime.

Once again, we appreciate your membership and look forward to a wonderful New Year with you!

Happy Holidays from Kevin O'Donnell, Brian Butler, Karman Jiri and Stanley Okpara.

PLCAC WELCOMES A NEW MEMBER!

PLCAC Board of Directors have recently approved a membership application for Associate Membership. We welcome Geoform Canada Ltd.



Geoform Canada Ltd., based in Oakville, ON, provides technology, materials, tools and machinery to construction of pipelines and provides remedies for challenges of tunneling, ground improvement, ground stabilization and consolidation. For more information, contact Alp Oner at 1-647-205-8015 or visit www.geoforming.com

Calling PLCAC Regular Member Employers – The PLCAC Jack Cressey FUTURE LEADER AWARD

The Pipe Line Contractors Association of Canada Future Leader Award was established in 1995 in memory of Canadian industry leader Jack Cressey to recognize future pipeline construction industry leader. Jack Cressey, a strong leader with vision, integrity and drive, was a long-time board member and past president of the PLCAC.

We invite executives of PLCAC Regular Member companies to nominate up-and-coming talents from their organization. Nominees can be from any department within the company, including accounting, sales, and field operations or estimating, as long as they have exhibited significant leadership potential but have not yet reached executive status. The emphasis should be on future leader. The Jack Cressey Future Leader Award winner is recognized at the Annual Convention and in PLCAC print communications.

Your PLCAC member representative will be contacted in early February to request nominations for the PLCAC Future Leader Award.

Sneak Peek!

Pipe Line Contractors Association of Canada 70th Annual General Meeting & Convention

Sheraton Fallsview Hotel
Niagara Falls, ON
May 12 – 16, 2024

Preliminary Schedule of Events

Attendance at the PLCAC Annual Convention is restricted to members and their guests.

Stay tuned for more information, coming soon.



Sunday, May 12, 2024

Day begins for directors at 7:30 am

Registration and Welcome Reception begin at 4:00 pm

Board of Directors Meeting (directors)
Canadian Pipeline Advisory Council (CPAC representatives)
World Federation Meeting (by invitation)
Registration (all delegates)
Welcome Reception (all delegates)
Evening: President's Dinner (by invitation)

Monday, May 13, 2024

Golf requires pre-registration

Golfers' Breakfast & Lunch (pre-registered golfers)
Annual Golf Tournament (pre-registered golfers)
Evening: Kick-Off Party (all delegates)

Tuesday, May 14, 2024

Day begins with breakfast at 8:00 am

Meetings begin at 9:00 am

Breakfast (all delegates)
Annual General Meeting (all delegates)
Associate Meeting (associate members)
Evening: John Deere Off-site Event (all delegates)
Reception, Dinner, & Entertainment

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

Day begins with breakfast at 8:00 am

Meetings begin at 9:00 am

Breakfast (all delegates)
General Business Session (all delegates)
Board of Directors Meeting (directors)
Optional Activities (pre-registered delegates)
Evening: Caterpillar Theme Party (all delegates)
Reception, Dinner, & Entertainment

Thursday, May 16, 2024

Day begins with breakfast at 8:00 am

Meetings begin at 9:00 am

Breakfast (all delegates)
Executive Development Session (all delegates)
Evening: Gala (all delegates)
Reception, Banquet, & Entertainment



The Pipe Line Contractors Association of Canada is excited to have its
“Platinum” 70th Annual General Meeting & Convention
at the Sheraton Fallsview Hotel in Niagara Falls, ON

Action Dates

21st Annual BC Natural Resources
Forum
Prince George, BC
January 16 – 18, 2024
www.bcnaturalresourcesforum.com

Pipe Line Contractors Association
(PLCA)
76th Annual Convention
Grand Hyatt Baha Mar
Nassau, Bahamas
January 30 – February 3, 2024
www.plca.org

Distribution Contractors Association
(DCA)
63rd Annual Convention
Kohala Coast, HI
February 12 – 17, 2024
www.dcaweb.org

Pipe Line Contractors Association of
Canada (PLCAC)
70th Annual Convention
Sheraton, Niagara Falls, Ontario
May 12 – 16, 2024
www.pipeline.ca

International Pipe Line & Offshore
Contractors Association (IPLOCA)
56th Annual Convention
Sorrento, Italy
September 9 – 13, 2024
www.iploca.com

ABOUT THE COVER



The seasonal cover, as illustrated by Holly Todd Williamson, Comart Studios, extends warmest wishes from the PLCAC President Wes Waschuk, President of Waschuk Pipeline Construction Ltd.

Wes’s passions outside of pipeline construction include, classic rock ‘n’ roll, driving his high performance sports cars, and traveling with and spending time with family.

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