

**Regional Liaison Committee:
Nuclear Economic Development & Innovation**

Roles & Responsibilities

March 2019

Background

In September 2016, Bruce Power and the County of Bruce established a consolidated approach to economic development as it relates to Bruce Power's investment activities and other innovation opportunities.

A Business Investment Specialist position was created to coordinate and facilitate investment opportunities, act as a single point of contact for investment activities, and develop and implement an investment strategy.

To support the Business Investment Specialist position and provide direction and input on the Initiative, a Nuclear Industry Regional Advisory Committee was established, made up of regional representatives to bring together municipal leaders and organizations from across the region to support the development of a strategic plan and interim actions to advance a number of immediate opportunities.

The Advisory Committee met several times, since 2016 and achieved a number of objectives including: the development and execution of a Nuclear Industry Investment Strategy; supporting the navigation of the nuclear supply chain into the region; advancing training opportunities through the Local Training Action Team and the development of a New Resident Tool Kit through the Welcoming Communities' Action Team.

The engagement and support of the Advisory Committee has been critical in achieving success since the launch of the Nuclear Economic Development & Innovation Initiative.

In May 2018, Bruce Power and the County of Bruce extended the partnership to 2021 and announced a new partnership to establish Ontario's Nuclear Innovation Institute in Bruce County.

In order to continue to engage the region in advancing these important partnerships, a new Committee will be formed in place of the former Nuclear Industry Regional Advisory Committee.

Purpose & Functions

The **Regional Liaison Committee: Nuclear Economic Development and Innovation** will be established in order to:

1. Create a one-window approach for municipalities, and regional organizations, to receive information, updates and remain engaged as it relates to nuclear economic development and innovation initiatives;
2. Represent their municipality's/ county's interests and opportunities as it relates to advancing the nuclear agenda;
3. Act as the main liaison between the Committee and their respective municipality / local / regional Council's, and
4. Become engaged in developments as it relates to Ontario's Nuclear Innovation Institute as the function and operations of the Institute are further developed.

In addition to the Committee, the shared position will continue to work with economic development staff within your organization to gather and share information on a regular basis.

Meeting Schedule & Communications

The Committee will meet twice a year

Friday May 3rd 2019 – 10:00am-12:00noon, Bruce Power Visitors' Centre

Friday October 4th –2019 - 10:00am-10:00noon, Bruce Power Visitors' Centre

Meetings will begin with updates on the nuclear agenda.

Roundtable discussions may take place during each meeting where members will be broken into groups of 5-6 / table to discuss and provide input on various topics.

Membership

Membership will consist of the following:

James Scongack, EVP, Bruce Power (co-chair)

CAO, Bruce County (co-chair)

Two (2) representatives each from:

Municipality of Arran Elderslie

Municipality of Brockton

Township of Huron Kinloss

Municipality of Kincardine

Municipality of Northern Bruce Peninsula

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Town of Saugeen Shores

Town of South Bruce

Town of South Bruce Peninsula

County of Grey

County of Huron

One (1) representative each from:

Town of Goderich

City of Owen Sound

Ontario Ministry of Agriculture Food and Rural Affairs

Ministry of Economic Development, Growth and Job Creation

Four County Labour Market and Planning Board

Bruce Community Futures Development Corporation

Bruce Power Pensioners' Association

Additional representatives from Bruce Power and Bruce County may also be invited to participate in meetings.

Designates are allowed to attend meetings on behalf of a member should a member not be available to attend.

Additional members may be added at the request of a Committee member and agreed to by the co-chairs.

Reporting & Communications

An update in the form of a newsletter will be provided to the Liaison Committee via email once every two months to commence after the first meeting. Additional communications may occur as it relates to events and media releases.

Updates and meeting details will also be provided to economic development officers and other support staff (in addition to Committee members) who lead in economic development activities in municipalities/ county governments and work regularly with the Business Investment Specialist to support the Initiative.

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It is recommended each member establish their own internal mechanism for report or engagement of their respective Council's, economic development committees and broader community.