



## Port Alma WIND POWER PROJECT

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### Note from Jacques Gauthier, Senior Vice President and COO Kruger Energy

In our debut issue of KEPANews I shared with our readers the reason behind the creation of this publication as one of many endeavors intended to establish and sustain our strong commitment to communication with the Chatham-Kent community. I also introduced our readers to the Kruger organization, Kruger Energy and most importantly our project and aspiration, the Kruger Energy Port Alma (KEPA) wind energy project.

In a subsequent KEPANews publication, I explained our pride at having been selected by the Ontario Ministry of Energy in November 2005 to build the 101.2-megawatt wind park located at Port Alma, on the shores of Lake Erie.

Previous KEPANews publications contained explanations and information about our proposed wind power project. Project details were published as we eagerly anticipated the construction of the 44 KEPA wind

turbines that would eventually generate some 300 gigawatt-hours annually, enough energy to power approximately 30,000 households.

We have shared with readers the many undertakings necessary to move forward with the KEPA project, including the successful carrying out and completion of a multitude of feasibility and environmental assessments and analyses. We worked diligently with the municipality, who were instrumental in the attainment and approval of the zoning amendments and bylaws necessary to the realization of the KEPA project.

In this, our seventh KEPANews publication, I am proud to announce that after many months of considerable efforts and perseverance, the Kruger Energy Port Alma wind project is officially underway. Plans and permits have been approved and the contractor and sub-contractor selection process is close to completion. ▶▶



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We are one step closer to seeing the realization of a power project that not only represents an increased investment into renewable energy, but that will not produce any greenhouse gas emissions and reduces contributions to global climate change.

We have begun construction of a permanent wind measurement mast and our team is hard at work and eager to complete this first element of our KEPA endeavor.

Once again, I would like to express, on behalf of the entire KEPA team, our sincere thanks for the opportunity to partner with the community of Chatham-Kent. As I have said many times in the past, the population has welcomed Kruger Energy and KEPA to the community and has supported and embraced our project from the beginning; for this we are truly grateful.



July, 2007 - Cement is poured during the construction of the permanent wind measurement mast base.

## Fun Facts



Did you know...

Canada's wind potential will blow you away!

Do you know just how remarkable Canada's wind energy resource is?

According to the Canadian Wind Energy Atlas, 40% of Canada's energy needs could be satisfied by Northern Quebec (or Nunavik) alone.

Importantly, and based on other countries' experience in considering the correct electricity supply mix, the Wind Energy

Group estimates that Canada could easily produce 20% or 50,000 MW of its electricity needs from wind energy.

The Canadian Wind Energy Atlas is a contribution of the EOLE Project for wind energy resource and prediction, the result of a research project hosted by Environment Canada (Numerical Weather Prediction) in 2000. Most of the results are based on WEST (Wind Energy Simulation Toolkit), a special system developed for the project.



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## From the Field



*There is no better reason,  
to get together,  
than to simply enjoy,  
this wonderful season.*

This illustration and limerick adorned the colorful invitations that went forward for the first ever KEPA Country Cookout.

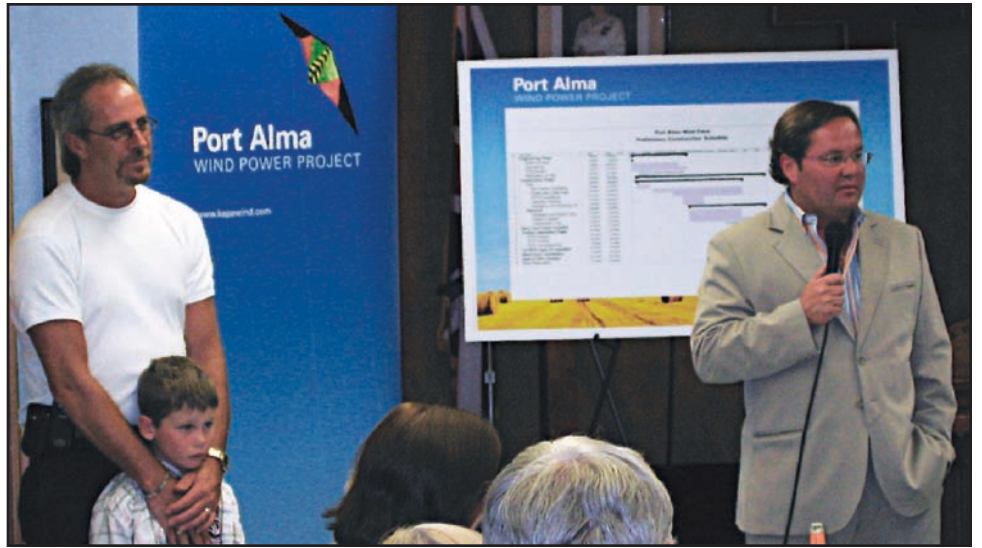
Our From the Field article takes a special twist in this publication with a look at this very special gathering.

The KEPA County Cookout took place on Thursday, July 5, 2007 at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 465 in Merlin.

The evening got underway with a KEPA project update at 6:00 pm. None other than Mayor Hope joined the KEPA team, Jacques Gauthier, Jean Roy and David Janigan for a brief presentation and information session aimed at providing attendees with the current KEPA project happenings and status.

KEPA guests were then treated to a wonderful meal catered by none other than our popular Chatham-Kent caterer, Shelly, and her dedicated team: Paulette, Maxime, Debbie and Jill the Legion bartender. With almost 100 people in attendance, Shelly and her team had their hands full to say the least, but they certainly did not disappoint; once again they outdid themselves. Stuffed pork roast, sun dried tomato and oregano potatoes, baked beans and a mouth-watering strawberry cheesecake desert were only a few of the tantalizing delicacies on the evening's menu.

Our KEPA team, always ready for a challenge, did more than simply provide a project update; they literally took over the buffet! Jean-Paul Blais, Joe Boland, Michael Cookson and Louis Brinkmeier led by our Jean Roy, lent invaluable support to the success



Jacques Gauthier answers questions in the company of Mayor Randy Hope and his grandson.

of the event by taking over the food service responsibilities. Our men were all smiles as they served up the fabulous feast.

Once again to all of our landowners, partners and colleagues, on behalf of KEPA and Kruger Energy Inc., we would like to extend our thanks for having taken part in this event.

Our special thanks go out to Shelly and her team for carrying out a fantastic post-cookout mission. All leftover foodstuffs were delivered and from the feedback obtained by KEPAnews, thoroughly enjoyed by the Merlin Seniors' Club.



The KEPA team, Michael Cookson, Joe Boland and Jean Roy are all smiles as they serve up the meal to the KEPA guests. Lucie and Roger Lesy were caught on film, rumour has it that Michael is still trying to persuade them to add his name to their annual BBQ guest list!



Jacques Gauthier took time with attendees of all ages as depicted in this photo with Chad and Colleen Johnson and family as well as Sharon and Neil Cook.



## Project Update Report

As construction has begun on the permanent wind measurement mast and the KEPA project is officially underway, KEPAnews thought it appropriate to provide readers with a detailed KEPA operations and status report. In order to accomplish this task, we spoke with David Janigan, Vice President Engineering Projects, Kruger Inc.

KEPAnews caught up with David amidst his multitude of meetings, telephone conversations and conference calls for a very brief interview regarding the KEPA project status.

David was quick to provide a copy of the Port Alma Wind Farm Preliminary Construction Schedule, as presented to attendees during the KEPA project update on July 5th last, and that we are pleased to publish in this edition of KEPAnews.

David was also quick and very pleased to announce an addition to the KEPA team. In mid-July, Mr. Remi Laforest assumed the position of Construction Manager, Port Alma, Kruger Energy Inc. Remi will be primarily responsible for the management and coordination of contractors with a particular focus on site safety, environmental programs and quality.

KEPAnews also learned that the engineering and contractor consortium for the construction of the wind farm have also been finalized. Contracts have been confirmed with project management and engineering firm, AMEC; electrical contractor, Black and MacDonald; and civil contractor, HB White.

As David ran off to his next appointment, he pointed out that our interview as it so happened took place during early August. "In August, we begin the construction of access roads and the underground collector system.



Mr. Remi Laforest, Construction Manager, Port Alma, Kruger Energy Inc.

We also have to look after the turbine foundation building permits and a plethora of other things that urgently require our input and/or attention." David said, "Fortunately, we have a great team and are privileged to have the opportunity to partner with a great community. Call me soon, so that we can provide readers with a follow-up status report. Things are moving quickly now!"

On behalf of KEPAnews and the entire Kruger Energy organization, we wish Remi much success in his new role and welcome him to the KEPA team. Our best wishes for success also go forward to our contractors, AMEC, Black and MacDonald and HB White.

Particular thanks go out to David Janigan for taking time from his busy schedule to provide KEPAnews and its readers with this valuable project status update.



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