

Growth from Within the Maitland Chemistry Park

Greg Canning-LeBlanc | Plant Manager, Maitland Hydrogen Peroxide, Evonik Canada



Greg Canning-LeBlanc has over 25 years of manufacturing experience having held various roles in Research, Operations, Technical and Site leadership at Evonik, Kerry Group, Solvay, Ashland, GE and Alexion Pharmaceuticals. He has supported 4 separate integrations and has worked in the Specialty Chemical Industry for most of his career and has supported production of 3 different Electronic Grade Materials over the last 15 years.

Greg holds a Bachelor of Applied Science in Chemical Engineering from the University of Waterloo.

Greg is currently the Site Manager at Evonik's Maitland Hydrogen Peroxide Facility, one of the most versatile and environmentally friendly molecules, which provide products for a variety of end applications including Pulp and Paper, Industrial Water Treatment, Disinfection and Personal Care. Committing and demonstrating a safe, sustainable and productive manufacturing process, the site team has been successful in receiving an internal investment for a \$9M CAD expansion project and approval for a \$1.25M CAD grant from the Eastern Ontario Development fund to expand the site Product Line and Business Portfolio to support the existing demand and growth in the Electronics Market.

Matthew Murton | Maitland Site Manager, INVISTA (Canada) Company



Matt Murton has over three decades of manufacturing experience with DuPont Canada and INVISTA (Canada) Company, having held roles in Environmental, Maintenance, Reliability and Operations leadership. Matt holds a Bachelor of Science in Environmental Engineering from Queen's University. He has been a member of global business teams in Airbag, Nylon carpet and Nylon Polymer industries.

Matt is currently the Site Manager of INVISTA's Maitland Site, producing electricity for the Ontario grid, amines-based Specialty Chemical products into a variety of end-uses and utilities for the Maitland Industrial Park. With a commitment to a safe and efficient operation, Matt and the team at Maitland have been successful in earning investment at the plant to allow the restart of Hexamethylene Diamine asset in support of Nylon 6,6 production in North America.

VOLTARI - Leading a Revolution

Cam Heaps | Founder / Chief Executive Officer, Voltari Marine Electric



Cam Heaps has dedicated his life to disrupting the premium segments of the beer and boating industries. Cam built and grew Steam Whistle into the leading Craft Brewery in Canada by focusing on making world-class beer with an award-winning company culture.

During this time, Cam also Chaired the Ontario Craft Brewer's Association achieving numerous changes to the industry to enhance profitability and retail equity for domestic craft breweries.

Following a life-long passion for offshore boating, Cam founded Carbon Marine in 2015, an advanced carbon-fibre boat manufacturing business that launched the world's first exposed carbon power boat. In 2021, the company acquired a leading battery and marine propulsion company and launched Voltari Marine Electric. By integrating advanced laminate hull technology, the industry's most powerful electric marine propulsion system, in a proven offshore capable hull, Voltari is positioned to be the leader in marine electrification.

Keynote:

Ontario's Affordable Energy Future: The Pressing Case for More Power

Hon. Stephen Lecce | Minister of Energy and Electrification



Stephen Lecce is the Minister of Energy and Electrification for the Province of Ontario and the Member of Provincial Parliament (MPP) for King-Vaughan.

As the Minister of Energy and Electrification, Stephen is keeping energy costs down for residents and businesses across Ontario, while building a reliable and affordable electricity system that runs one of the cleanest grids in the world. In his mission to build out the electricity resources we need to power economic growth and increase electrification, Stephen is engaging with leaders from Ontario's world-class energy sector and partners across the province, including Indigenous communities, local distribution companies, transmission companies, and energy agencies to ensure our energy infrastructure is built the right way for future generations. Stephen's work will continue to build on Ontario's clean energy advantage and help ensure that Ontario's energy system is ready to support future historic investments.

Stephen's first experience in politics came in his hometown of Vaughan in 1999. Since then, he has served as the Chief Spokesperson for former Prime Minister, Stephen Harper, as Deputy Government House Leader, the Parliamentary Assistant to the Ministry of Infrastructure, Parliamentary Assistant to the Premier, and Minister of Education.

Stephen continues to give back and support the people of King-Vaughan as MPP, and as the former First Vice President of the National Congress of Italian Canadians, an active member of the Vaughan Chamber of Commerce and former Youth Education Chair of Vaughan's Royal Canadian Legion (Mackenzie Branch 414).

Largest Battery Energy Storage in Canada

Ben Greenhouse | Chief Executive Officer, Potentia Renewables Inc.



Ben Greenhouse is an experienced leader in the Canadian Renewable Energy industry, having led companies developing, constructing, and operating over 4 GW of renewable energy and storage capacity across Canada, the United States and the Caribbean. Ben has led teams that have developed and constructed 16 of Canada's largest wind-energy projects and have successfully contracted the largest energy storage project in Canada.

Ben currently leads the executive team at Potentia, with a focus on strategic growth. Ben has led Potentia through the successful origination, construction, and/or operation of more than 3 GW of renewables and storage in Canada, the United States and the Caribbean. Formerly the Executive Director of Development at NextEra Energy Canada, Ben led NextEra Energy's Canadian team as they created a Canadian presence for North America's largest renewable energy owner and operator.

Ben has served two 3-year terms on the board of the Canadian Wind Energy Association, where he held the roles of chair and treasurer. Ben holds a Bachelor of Science from the University of Toronto and a Master of Environmental Studies from the University of Waterloo.

Will Patterson | Senior Project Manager, Potentia Renewables Inc.



Will Patterson has extensive experience leading the origination and development of over 1GW of solar, wind and energy storage projects across Canada.

Will leverages his experience to work with stakeholders to identify and deliver creative practical solutions that enable the projects critical to our future to move forward.

Will is a Professional Engineer and leads Canada Largest Battery Project - Skyview 2 BESS.

Keynote:

BDC Economic Outlook - Canada in the midst of a soft landing

Pierre Cl  roux | Vice President, Research and Chief Economist, BDC



Pierre Cl  roux was appointed Vice President, Research and Chief Economist at BDC in 2012.

Pierre leads a team of experts who analyze economic data to identify business and sector trends impacting Canadian entrepreneurs. A seasoned speaker, he helps business owners understand the risks and opportunities presented by the economic environment.

Pierre is also responsible for providing economic analysis and advice to the Bank's senior management team and supervises all marketing and industry research activities. Over his 25-year career as an economist, he has held several influential positions that had a direct impact on entrepreneurs in Canada and abroad.

Leeds Grenville / 1000 Islands Rideau Canal Waterways

Ann Weir | Economic Development Manager, United Counties of Leeds and Grenville



Ann Weir has been the Economic Development Manager for the United Counties of Leeds and Grenville for the past 16 years and has recently completed the AMCTO Executive Diploma in Municipal Management. In 2017, she won the Eastern Ontario's Economic Developer of the Year award.

Ann manages economic development through a collaborative environment with ten municipalities and four partner communities to positively influence the growth and well-being of the Counties and its communities. Ann has worked collaboratively across the region to bring new funding and investments to the region. She has spearheaded many programs including the Business Support Working Group, the Regional Tourism Destination Strategy and the Counties Business Retention and Expansion program.

Ann has an extraordinarily strong belief in the importance of relationships, networks, and partnerships. She is visionary, committed, and enthusiastic in continuing to develop the region's attributes.