

Welcome to the April Langford Newsletter, bringing you product updates and news from the Ontario electrical industry.

What's On

During the COVID-19 outbreak we are still open, and working remotely to ensure the health of our staff and customers. Presently, the manufacturing plants are still producing product and technical support is available through the usual channels.

Schneider is hosting a PME2020 webinar on April 9.

Details below. Register: [Schneider](#)

Radian is hosting technical webinars every Friday afternoon. Contact [us](#) to ensure you are on the mailing list.

Change of Date: The Power Monitoring Expert (PME) training has been re-scheduled to the **week of August 17**.

- ION Meter Programming (2 days)
- PME Fundamentals (3 days)

Please register at [Schneider Electric](#)

Ontario News

Pandemic Response - Ontario Utilities have taken a number of initiatives around electricity costs in response to COVID-19 including suspending disconnection, waiving late payment interest, suspending Time-of-Use rates, expanding the eligibility for the Low-Income Emergency Assistance Program, returning security deposits to businesses and others. See [Ontario](#)

All Things Nuclear - At the Canadian Nuclear Association's conference, Minister Rickford reinforce

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Product Spotlight - Online Resources

At Power Monitoring University, the online school for Schneider Electric, there are five categories of videos that are available for viewing.

[Karl's Corner](#) explains the fundamentals of Metering Anatomy, Energy Management, Power Quality and Reliability.

Ontario's commitment to develop Small Modular Reactor Technology. See [Ontario](#)

In related stories, The Canadian Nuclear Association and the Nuclear Industry Association in the United Kingdom have signed a MOU. See [newswire](#), Canada must expand its nuclear power capacity if it is to reach its climate targets, says the Minister of Natural Resources. See [OttawaCitizen](#), The Small Modular Reactor Market Report is available at [Yahoo](#), and construction on Darlington Unit 2 is complete. See [OPG](#)

Northern Road Link - The Government of Ontario, Marten Falls First Nation and Webequie First Nation have entered into an agreement to advance the planning and development of a proposed Northern Road Link in the Ring of Fire region. See [Ontario](#) and [TBNewsWatch](#)

Bought and Sold - OPG is looking for parties interested in buying its decommissioned generating station and property on Mission Island, in Thunder Bay. See [TBNews](#)
In a related story, Kaweah River Power Authority in California is selling their 20MW hydroelectric plant at Kaweah Lake's Terminus Dam to OPG. See [SunGazette](#)

Deadline Extension - The Department of National Defence has extended its deadline for public comment on a \$3.3-billion, private hydroelectric generation station proposed in Meaford until July 31. See [SunTimes](#)

Cybersecurity Standards for IoT Devices - The federal government has announced an \$818,000 grant to support a CIO Strategy Council project to set national cybersecurity standards for industrial IoT devices. See [ITWorld](#)

NRStor Purchased - NRStor, a Toronto-based, utility scale battery storage firm has been purchased by Blackstone Energy Partners. NRStor's projects include compressed air, flywheel and battery storage facilities in Ontario. See [SmartEnergy](#)

Breaking Ground - Groundwork has begun for the Hydro One hub in Orillia, while the sale of the Orillia Power

[Get Connected](#) discusses Power Monitoring Expert and includes Product Demos.

[EcoStruxure Power](#) includes nine sessions on leveraging the EcoStruxure Platform.

[The WYE](#) is a new series developed for the Power Monitoring and Control Group

[Dr. ION](#) looks into the functionality and features of the ION meters and how to leverage them.

See [Schneider](#)

Did You Know - Impact of COVID-19 on Ontario's Demand

The impact of the COVID-19 outbreak is starting to have a noticeable impact on energy demand in the province, which is now reflected in daily demand profiles.

The IESO got its first view of how non-essential business closures will impact electricity use, with demand reduced by 900-1,500 MW throughout the day. To put this into context, 1,500 MW is about the equivalent summer peak demand of Ottawa.

While demand is reduced overall, they are seeing an increase in residential demand as people work from home. Reduced electricity demand in the manufacturing sector may be offset to some extent as some companies

Corp, the local distribution company, remains up in the air. See Simcoe.com

Schneider Electric - What's New with PME 2020?

On Thursday, April 9 at 1 p.m. EST, Andrew Muir of Schneider Electric is presenting the webinar, What's New with PME 2020?

Sign up to learn about the new features and benefits of our award winning power management software.

To Register for the 30 minute webinar see [Schneider](#)

There will also be a webinar on EcoStruxure Power Advisor on April 14.

Radian Research - WATT-Net Software Suite

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switch their production lines to manufacture medical supplies.

For daily posts on the changing demand see [IESO Twitter](#)

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