# Alaska Wind Workshop

### Sept 7-8, 2023

TECHNICAL HURDLES AND OPI

#### ORTUNITIES

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### **AGENDA**

- Introduction to Northern Energy Capital 1.
- Partnerships in Clean Energy Transformation 2.
- Overcoming Challenges in Construction and Logistics 3.
- Hurdles in Integration 4.
- Importance of Education 5.



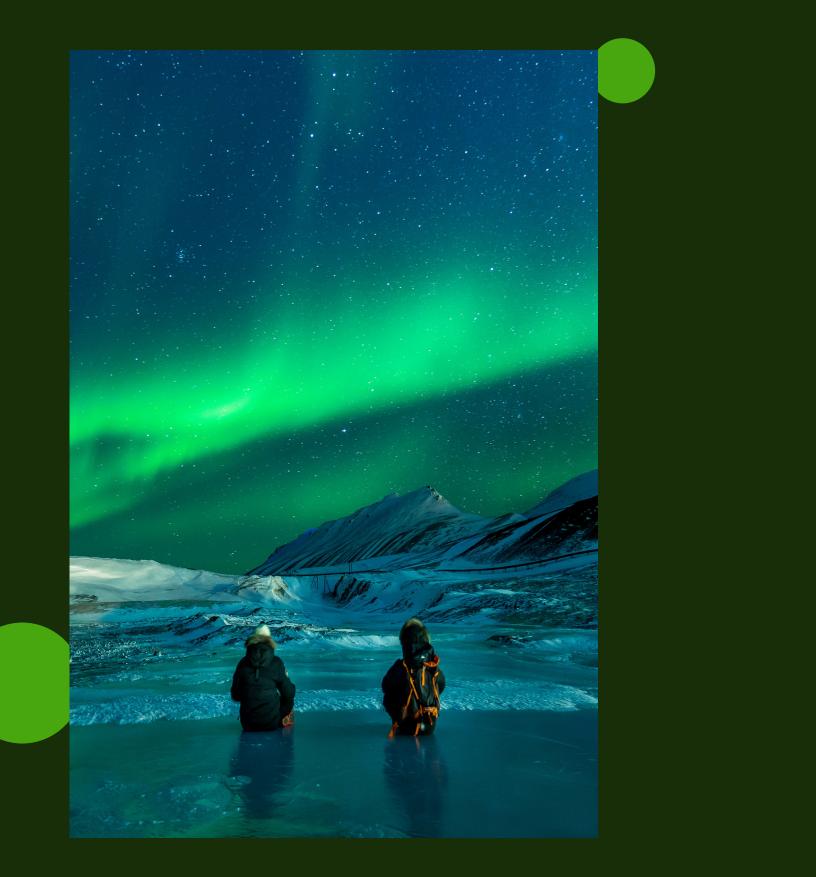
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### NORTHERN ENERGY CAPITAL

- Yukon company established in 2015 to empower communities in their transition from fossil fuel consumption to clean energy ownership.
- Specializing in the corporate structuring, project development, and financing of clean energy projects.
- Multiple Indigenous partnerships and jointventures that span eleven remote community micro-grids across northern Canada.



#### Delivering long term economic, social and environmental benefits while promoting engagement and community participation.





### **MISSION**

Advance meaningful projects that:

- Increase community energy independence and resiliency
  - Increase energy security and cost certainty
- Reduce carbon emissions

• Advance training and capacity building in the growing clean energy sector



### Partnerships in Clean Energy Transformation

### **Kivalliq Alternative Energy**

• Portfolio of community scale micro-grid clean energy projects

#### **Eagle Hill Energy Limited Partnership**

• Portfolio of utility scale regional grid-tied clean energy projects

#### Selkirk First Nation Development Corporation

• Portfolio of utility scale + mining clean energy projects

### **Kluane First Nation Clean Energy**

Remote community micro-grid clean energy project



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# **Community Engagement**

Community Energy Planning + Resource Assessment









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# **Overcoming Hurdles**

Construction and Logistics in remote micro-grids



Utilizing resources available to reduce those that are not.

Construction that can be done in cold climate and span over multiple years





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# **Hurdles Integrating Renewables**

#### **Technical challenges in remote micro-grids**

### **Environment (policy, economic, natural)**

- Transitioning to an IPP model requires new policy to be developed
- Working within a regulated utility market, subsidized rates, without economy of scale
- Shifting funding legislation to support IPP
- Challenges with rime-icing; anti-icing, de-icing; and permitting nuances (black blades)

### **Availability of Data, Infrastructure and Capacity**

- Gaps in infrastructure, operation and demand data; highly variable across the north
- Human resources across all stakeholders utility, tribal council, government
- Projects and communities are generally unique, challenge to generate efficient process
- Often dealing with aging infrastructure, limiting possibilities or increasing capital costs

#### Variability of Renewables with Efficient Diesel Operation

- Inefficiencies with ramping and switching between diesel generators
- Variability of renewables, benefits of responsive ramp rates to maximize production
- Benefits of integrating full-suite of grid forming BESS services; absence of economics
- Developing "Technical Interconnection Requirements" "Don't know what don't know"
- Turbine features, communications, CSA, evolving standards (UL1741 SB)





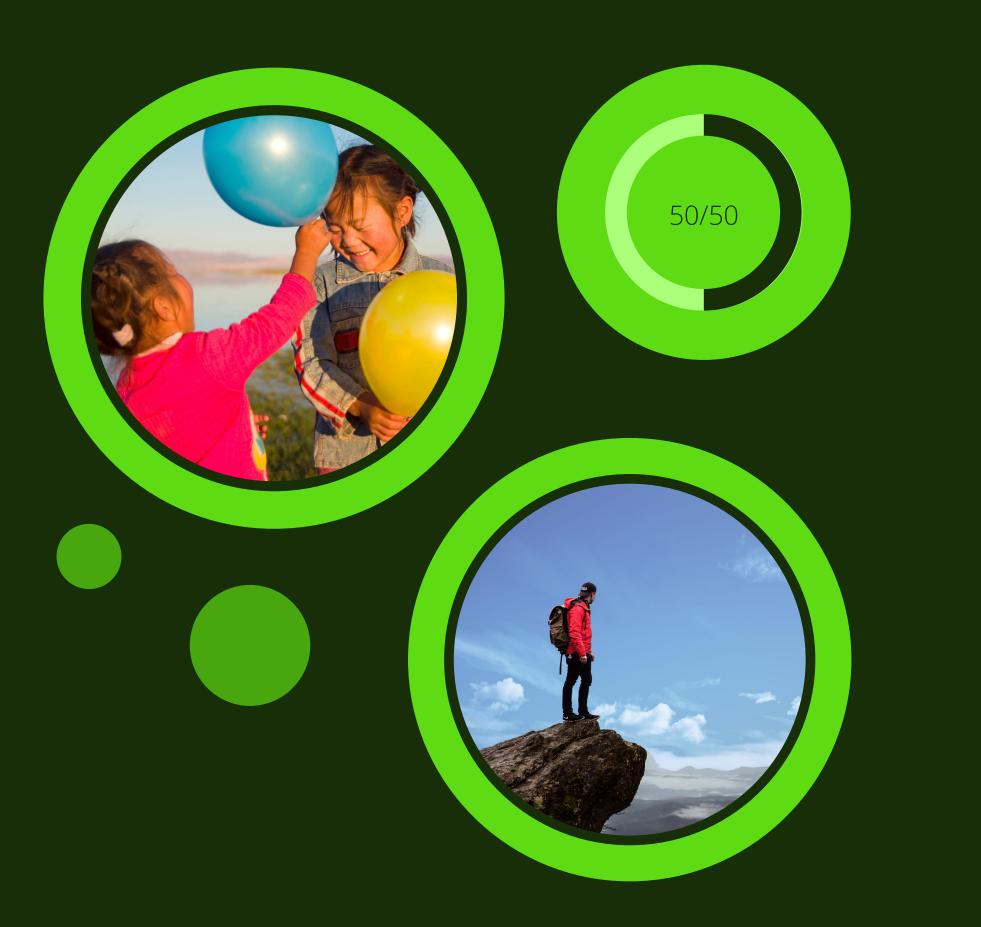


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# The strongest thing you can do towards alternate energy is to educate.

#### **Blaine Chislett**,

Local Energy Champion for the Indigenous Off-Diesel Initiative (IODI) Program and Chief Sustainability Officer for Kivalliq Alternative Energy



### WHAT MAKES NEC PARTNERSHIPS A WIN-WIN?

Long term vision
Move at the right pace
Mutual understanding of cultural sensitivities
Deliver on Training and Capacity Building Opportunities
Mutual support for each others decision-making process



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