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## Engineered Wetlands Win Again

### **Abydoz Environmental's Engineered Wetlands win Leadership Award in Wastewater Management for Atlantic Canada.**

The central Newfoundland towns of Appleton and Glenwood were presented with the national Watershed Award for "Leadership in Stormwater and Wastewater Management" for Atlantic Canada by the Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and the Insurance Bureau of Canada (IBC) at the FCM National Conference in Toronto last week.

This is the fourth award for the towns related to their Engineered Wetland System. Previous awards were; the Gander and Area Chamber of Commerce Environmental Award in 2007, the Newfoundland and Labrador Provincial Environmental Award in 2008, and this year's Professional Engineers and Geoscientists Environmental Award.

For more information visit [www.abyzoz.com](http://www.abyzoz.com), or contact Glenn Sharp at [info@abyzoz.com](mailto:info@abyzoz.com).



*From left: Bill Adam (IBC), Mayor of Glenwood Darren Burse, Mayor of Appleton Derm Flynn, Don Borgerion (CEO of IBC), Basil Stewart (FCM President)*

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## Events Listing

### Network, learn, and grow your business

**July 5:** [UBC and UW Summer Institute in Sustainability](#), Vancouver BC

**July 25 - 29:** 2010 Coastal Zone Canada Conference and Youth Forum. Healthy Oceans - Strong Coastal Communities - Voices for Change, Charlottetown PEI

**August 8-10:** [CanGEA 2010 Geothermal Energy Conference and Trade Show](#), Vancouver BC

**August 14-15:** [Action H2O Summit on Water Quality and Conservation](#), Acadia University, Wolfville NS

**September 17-19:** [2nd Annual Atlantic Eco Expo](#), Halifax NS

**August 18:** NEIA Annual Member Golf Tournament, details TBC, St. John's NL

**September 17-19:** [RCEN 2010 Conference - Conserving Biodiversity Pays: The Values of Ecosystems Services](#), Montreal QC

**October 27-29:** [4th Annual Atlantic Reclamation Conference](#), Halifax NS

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## Opportunities

### Grow your business

#### **Waste to Energy Project in Barbados**

The Government of Barbados through the Sanitation Service Authority is requesting Expressions of Interest from contractors for the design build operate finance and transfer a Waste to Energy Plant at the Solid Waste Management Complex in Vacluse, St. Thomas, Barbados. For more information, [click here](#). Deadline August 16, 2010.



#### **Youth and Communities Come Together for Coastal Cleanup**

The Provincial Government is providing \$12,000 to the Marine Institute's Ocean Net Friends of Beaches Network to conduct 50 beach, shoreline and underwater cleanups between June and October. [Click here](#) for more information.

#### **Nova Scotia's Waste Resource Management Institute (WRMI)**

Nova Scotia Environment, through the Environmental Trade and Innovation Branch, has been working with Acadia University and the Nova Scotia Community College to develop a Waste Resource Management Institute. The Institute is in the initial stages of development with a long term vision/goal to grow into an organization that offers waste diversion courses and conducts research. The Institute's first course is called Organics Diversion, Composting on a Community Scale. [Click here](#) for more information.

#### **Nominate an Outstanding Environmental Educator or Communicator in Your Community**

The Canadian Network for Environmental Education and Communication (EECOM) is pleased to announce its ninth annual program of awards for excellence in environmental

education. Any individual or organization, regardless of whether they are a member of EECOM, can nominate an outstanding Canadian individual and/or institution for an award. Nominations will be accepted in either English or French and all nominations will be evaluated by those fluent in both languages. Deadline is July 30, 2010. [Click here](#) for more information.

### **Canadian Eco-Leader Award**

Bosch Home Appliances is encouraging communities to continue to make a difference in the environment. This award will celebrate and recognize the great work instigated by Canadians communities to create greener, more sustainable lifestyles for themselves, their families, neighbours and for future generations. The selected Eco-Leader will receive \$5000 to help advance the cause of environmental responsibility within their community. Deadline for nominations is September 19, 2010. Visit <http://www.boschecolution.ca/> to nominate an Eco-Leader.

### **Help Appoint an Independent Commissioner of Unconventional Oil Production**

Sierra Club is looking for your nominations for an independent commissioner to review Canada's unconventional oil production, including offshore drilling and the tar sands. All parties voted to hold a review of unconventional oil production, but as of yet no one has been appointed. Send Sierra Club your nomination by clicking on the following link: <http://www.sierraclub.ca/en/form/oil-commissioner>.

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## **Public Consultations**

### **Have your say**

#### **Climate Change and Energy Efficiency Consultations**

The Government of Newfoundland and Labrador is looking for feedback on its public discussion paper *Responding to Climate Change in Newfoundland and Labrador*. Individuals interested in making a contribution to the development of these strategies can access the discussion paper and feedback form at [www.gov.nl.ca/exec/cceeet](http://www.gov.nl.ca/exec/cceeet). The deadline for submissions is July 31, 2010.

#### **Public Consultations to Establish the Dispute Resolution Process for Canadian Extractive Companies Operating Oversea**

The Office of the Extractive Sector Corporate Social Responsibility Counsellor has launched public consultations to establish the dispute resolution process for Canadian extractive companies operating overseas. Visit [http://www.international.gc.ca/csr\\_counsellor-conseiller\\_rse/](http://www.international.gc.ca/csr_counsellor-conseiller_rse/) for more information and further updates. Interested in getting a quick update? Register for a 60 minute webinar, taking place on Tuesday July 6th, Noon-1PM EDT. Register online at: <http://www.instantpresenter.com/PIID=EF55DA8189>.

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## In the News

### Know your environment

#### **Garbage fees hit small communities hard: mayor**

The mayor of a small town in central Newfoundland says new waste-management fees are the biggest issue facing rural governments today. [Full story here.](#)

#### **Rutter oil spill technology may head to the Gulf of Mexico**

Rutter Inc. may send three of its oil-spill detection radar systems to the U.S. Coast Guard to assist in tracking the massive spill in the Gulf of Mexico. [Full story here.](#)

#### **Government of Canada Makes Major Investment to International Climate Change**

On June 23 the Honourable Jim Prentice, Minister of the Environment, announced that the Government of Canada is delivering on its commitment under the Copenhagen Accord to help the poorest and most vulnerable countries with their efforts to fight climate change. As promised as part of the Copenhagen Accord, Canada will invest \$400 million for international climate change efforts this fiscal year. This represents the 2010 portion of Canada's fair share of the fast-start financing promised by developed countries under the Copenhagen Accord. [Full story here.](#)



#### **Marine Institute Offers Oil Spill Course to Local Fishermen**

The Marine Institute in St. John's is teaching people who work at sea, such as fishermen, how to help contain and clean up oil in the

event of a spill. [Full story here.](#)

### **N.L. pushes ahead with clean up of contamination from abandoned mine in Buchans**

The government of Newfoundland and Labrador says it expects a significant part of the clean up of a tailings spill area from a former mine in Buchans to be cleaned up by the fall. The government says it has awarded a \$3.1-million contract for the remediation and capping of the tailings spill area and a ditch at the old mine. [Full story here.](#)

### **Atlantic Environment Ministers Hold Regional Discussions**

Environment ministers from Atlantic Canada met in Fredericton, New Brunswick, on June 17 to discuss regional approaches and co-operation on a number of environmental issues. They met under the auspices of the Council of Atlantic Environment Ministers. [Full story here.](#)

### **MMSB Tire Crushing Plan**

MMSB's plan to crush all the used tires piling up in the Placentia area. [Click here](#) to listen to the CBC Podcast.

### **Holyrood Composting**

Not only is compost good for the environment: It's also good for the town budget in Holyrood. [Click here](#) to listen to the CBC podcast.

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## **Publications & Reports**

### **Competitive information for your business**



#### **Guide to Green Building Rating Systems**

Architect Linda Reeder has written an easy-to-use guide for professionals to the major green building rating systems used in the United States. [Click here](#) for more information.

### **Cleantech Growth and Go-to-Market Report 2010**

Sustainable Development Technology Canada's report on Cleantech in Canada, originally released at GLOBE 2010, is now available on line. [Click here](#) for the full report.

### **Globe & Mail's Report on Corporate Responsibility**

Green leaders and laggards: Corporate Knights Research Group ranks the environmental, social and governance practices of Canada's largest firms. [Click here](#) for more information.

### **World Competitiveness Yearbook 2010**

Check out the IMD World Competitiveness Yearbook online. [Click here](#) for access. Password 2010Survey.

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## **Submissions and Feedback**

### **Your input matters**

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Subject: Barbados Waste Energy Project, Cleanup of Buchans Mine, Cleantech Guide, and More!

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