

DAIRY ENERGY SYMPOSIUM

March 2, 2005

and

43RD ANNUAL RURAL ENERGY CONFERENCE

March 3-4, 2005

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Dairy Energy Symposium Agenda

Powering the Dairy Industry

A symposium for dairy producers and their energy service providers.

Wednesday, March 2

- 9:30 am Registration and Continental Breakfast
- 10:00 **Modernizing Your Dairy**
An overview of what the dairy farm of the 21st century will look like; cutting edge electrical and information technologies and the dairy farm as an electrical energy generator
Douglas J. Reinemann, Professor of Biological Systems Engineering, UW-Madison, Milking Research and Instruction Laboratory
- 10:30 **Building Energy Efficient Dairy Farms**
Review of the latest energy efficient technologies
Scott Sanford, Senior Outreach Specialist, Department of Biological Systems Engineering, UW-Madison
- 11:15 **Considering an Anaerobic Digester?**
Update on digester designs that work, manure handling systems for digesters and electric generation technology
Mark Moser, RCM Digesters
- 12:00 pm Lunch

- 1:00 **Your Electrical System**
How to do it right the first time and when is it time to rewire.
Mark Cook, State Certified Electrical Inspector
- 1:45 **Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Putting Wind Power on Your Farm.**
David Blecker, 7th Generation Energy
- 2:30 Break
- 3:00 **Breakout Sessions**
(for individual discussions and more detailed information)
- ◆ The modern milking parlor: labor efficiency, energy efficiency, variable frequency drive applications, water heating, milk cooling, data systems and management
 - ◆ Anaerobic digesters
 - ◆ Grid interconnect issues
 - ◆ Electric fences and cow trainer installation and safety
 - ◆ Efficient and effective ventilation
 - ◆ Let there be efficient lighting
 - ◆ Power quality protection
 - ◆ Small scale wind generators and large scale wind farms
 - ◆ Working with an electrical contractor
- 4:30 **Adjourn**

Please note: The conference and symposium are two different events. You can register for either one or both. Please see the registration panel.

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Conference Agenda

Thursday, March 3

- 7:30 AM Registration & Continental Breakfast
 8:00 Welcome and Introductions
 8:30 **The Iowa BioEconomy Initiative and USDA/DOE BioEnergy/BioProducts Programs**
Dr. Robert C. Brown, Bergles Professor in Thermal Science, Director of the Office of Biorenewables Programs at Iowa State University
 9:30 **Powering the Plains: Initiatives in Energy and Agriculture**
Brad Crabtree, The Great Plains Institute for Sustainable Development
 10:15 Break
 10:30 **The Apollo Alliance: Creating a Stronger Economy Through Energy Independence**
Joel Rogers, UW-Madison, Center on Wisconsin Strategies (COWS)
 11:15 **From Agro Forestry to Electric Power**
Ken Ragland, Energy Performance Systems, Inc.
 12:00 PM Lunch
 1:00 **Introduction to Break-out Sessions**
 1:15 **Break-out Session No. 1**
 2:00 **Break-out Session No. 2**
 2:45 Break
 3:00 **Break-out Session No. 3**
 3:45 **Break-out Session No. 4**

- 4:30 Social Hour
 5:30 Buffet Dinner
 6:30 **Communications Skills Workshop**
 8:00 Adjourn

Friday, March 4

- 7:00 AM Breakfast Buffet
 8:00 **MREC Business Meeting**
 8:30 **Agricultural Wiring Materials and Electric Code Update**
LaVerne Stetson, USDA-ARS, University of Nebraska, Emeritus
 9:15 **Stray Voltage - Regulation Versus Litigation**
Paul Ortmann, Power Quality Engineer, Idaho Power Co.
 10:00 Break
 10:15 **Energy Efficiency Opportunities in Food Processing Plants and Other Rural Industries**
Tom Tucker, Focus on Energy
 11:00 **Bio Energy Research at the University of Minnesota**
Vance Morey, University of Minnesota
 11:30 **Earth Current Research Update**
Doug Reinemann, UW-Madison
 12:15 PM Adjourn

Break-out Sessions

Energy Resources

- Chemicals and Power via Biomass Gasification and Fast Pyrolysis**, *Dr. Robert C. Brown*, Iowa State University
- Anaerobic Digester Electrical Technologies**, *Mark Moser*, RCM Digesters
- Wisconsin Biorefining/Bio-Energy Roadmap**, *Jenny Hermans*, UW-Madison
- Corn Plus: Biomass For Natural Gas Process Heat Replacement In Ethanol Plants**, *Tom Leneghan*, Alliant Energy
- Microturbines for Combined Heat and Power from Biogas**, *Jan Scott*, Unison Solutions

Ag Wiring and Stray Voltage

- Idaho Power's Stray Voltage Program**
Paul Ortmann, Power Quality Engineer, Idaho Power Co.
- Agricultural Energy Conservation Web Resources**, *Scott Sanford*, UW-Madison
- Overview of NFPA Rules on Protective Gear for Electrical Investigations**, *Tom Seidl*, We Energies
- Stray Voltage Measurement Workshop**, *Chuck Forster*, Phasor Labs
- The Facts About Electrical Filtering**, *Dick Reines*, Public Service Commission Of Wisconsin



Registration

Please refer to the registration panel for symposium and conference fees. The **Dairy Energy Symposium fee includes** materials, breaks, and lunch. Hotel accommodations are not included. The **Conference registration fee includes** materials, continental breakfast, breaks, lunch, reception, and dinner Thursday. Breakfast and break is included on Friday. Hotel accommodations are not included in the fee.

Make check payable to: UW-Madison

Mail or fax to:

CALS Conference Services
 620 Babcock Drive
 Madison, WI 53706
 Fax: (608) 262-5088

Or register on-line at: <http://www.peopleware.net/2723>

Cancellations: In order to receive a full refund, you must cancel by contacting CALS Conference Services at (608) 263-1672 prior to February 24. If you fail to cancel by February 24, the full fee will apply. Substitutions are welcome at any time.

Questions: Contact CALS Conference Services at (608) 263-1672.

Location & Lodging

A confirmation notice and map will be mailed upon receipt of registration. The conference will be held at:

Holiday Inn St. Paul East
 2201 Burns Avenue
 St. Paul, MN 55119
 Phone: (651) 731-2220

A block of rooms has been reserved until February 15, 2005 for conference participants at the nightly rate of \$99.00/single plus taxes. Be sure to mention that you are attending the *MREC Rural Energy Conference* to receive the special rate.

Registration Form

43rd Annual Rural Energy Conference & Symposium March 2-4, 2005

Complete a separate registration form (or copy) for each registrant or register on-line at <http://www.peopleware.net/2723>

Early registration deadline is February 17, 2005

Name _____

Company _____

Address _____

Circle one: Home or Business

City/State/Zip _____

Daytime Phone _____

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- Yes, I'd like to register for the **Dairy Energy Symposium**
- \$ 75 (\$85 received after Feb. 17)
- Yes, I'd like to register for the **conference**
- \$ 195 members* (\$210 received after Feb 17)
- \$ 225 non-members** (\$240 after Feb. 17)

_____ **Total Enclosed**

* *Members include employees of IOUs and Co-ops that are Full members; and Corporate Affiliate and Affiliate members.*

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