Opportunities in Energy Efficiency: Green Buildings and the Industrial Sector

EVENT SPEAKERS

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David Hathaway is an energy and environment policy specialist with 20+ years of experience applying energy efficiency and greenhouse gas emissions strategies in a development context. His experience includes overseeing energy-efficient building capacity programs for USAID, US Environmental Protection Agency, US Department of Energy (DOE), and US Department of State (for Asia-Pacific and South America).

David currently serves as Chief of Party for the USAID Energy Efficiency for Clean Development Program (EECDP), Technical Director for USAID/RDMA's Low Emissions Asian Development (LEAD) program, and Program Manager for ICF's support for DOE's China Energy Research Center (CERC). He previously served as ICF's Program Director for the USAID Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy Capacity Building Program for USAID/Brazil. As a Vice President at ICF, he is the Managing Director of ICF's China office and oversees ICF's energy efficiency and GHG emissions reduction consultancy for large Chinese and multinational enterprises in the China market. David received his M.Sc. in Public Policy from the London School of Economics and has worked in +15 countries in Asia, Africa and South America. He is based in Beijing, China and is fluent in Mandarin Chinese. Contact him at David.Hathaway@icfi.com.

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Prior to joining ICF, Aleisha served as the executive director of the Building Codes Assistance Project (BCAP), and ran code advocacy activities focused on tracking barriers to code adoption and implementation. At BCAP, she supported new codes for commercial buildings in Ukraine, India, and worked closely with APEC member economies on assessing energy code market strategies. Aleisha has a Master of Architecture from the University of Illinois and a Master of Environmental Management from Duke University. Contact her at Aleisha.Khan@icfi.com.

Colin Murray: Industrial EE Specialist

Colin Murray is a Professional Engineer who leads ICF International's Industrial Energy Efficiency Group, focusing on large scale energy efficiency projects and energy management market transformation. He leads a team of engineers that provide turn-key program delivery services, technical support, and training services to the utility sector in demand side management and energy efficiency programs. His experience includes launching three industrial EE Programs in virgin jurisdictions: Efficiency NB's large all fuels Industrial Program, Efficiency NB's Small and Medium Industry Program, and SaskPower's Industrial Energy Optimization Program.

Currently, Colin manages electric energy efficiency programs in the municipal, commercial, and industrial sectors for SaskPower. He also advises on Ontario's Northern Electricity Industry Rebate Program and the New York State Energy Research and Development Authority's Motor Systems Program. His team is regularly called upon to assess the potential energy savings in new markets and to design market interventions to unlock that potential. Colin's accomplishments include winning Efficiency NB an International Star (I-Star) Award for Energy Efficiency, awarded by the Alliance to Save Energy in 2010, for innovative industrial program design and market penetration. He holds a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering and the following certifications from the Association of Energy Engineers: Certified Demand Side Manager, Certified Energy Manager, and Certified Measurement and Verification Professional. Contact him at Colin.Murray@icfi.com.

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Bill has 15+ years of experience in a range of heavy industries including chemicals, oil and gas, mining, manufacturing, and utilities. He is an expert in operations management, and has implemented numerous programs at client sites to adopt improved management practices, increased uptime, improved reliability, reduced energy use and emissions, maintain regulatory compliance, and other continuous improvement activities in Europe, North America, and China.

With his combination of broad industry experience, engineering qualifications, management skills, and specialized knowledge in environmental policy and energy efficiency, Bill is able to advise on the development and implementation of projects and programs that deliver measurable, sustainable results in complex industrial settings. Contact him at Bill.Tubbs@icfi.com.

Eric Boyle: ICF's USAID Account Executive

Eric Boyle is multi-disciplined expert with a proven track record building and motivating teams to tackle seemingly intractable international business and public policy problems in energy, climate change, environment, transportation, social programs, health, and participatory governance. As Vice President for International Development at ICF International, he leads the company's efforts to support international development programs, working primarily with US Federal Clients (USAID, MCC, USTDA) and EuropeAid). He has over 20 years of experience implementing international development programs, including more than a decade of experience living in Russia, Central Asia, the South Caucasus, and other countries of the former Soviet Union. He is a published author and panelist on post-Soviet energy policies, including participating as a panelist on "Lessons of Gas Conflict: How to Secure from Energy Confrontations" at Towards Energy Security in Europe: Lessons of Gas Confrontations between Ukraine and Russia organized by the Freidrich Ebert Foundation and The Center for Peace, Conversion, and Foreign Policy of Ukraine. He has implemented community-level energy efficiency programs in Ukraine and Kazakhstan and offers technical expertise in responsive governance, public administration reform, and foreign policy analysis. He has built a successful reputation in motivating staff to deliver high-quality results in difficult situations, often under extreme time and resource pressures. He speaks Russian fluently and knows several other languages, including German and Armenian. Contact him at Eric.Boyle@icfi.com.

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