

Eastern Canadian Black Liquor Recovery Boiler Advisory Committee (ECBLRBAC) Fall Meeting 2023 Sherbrooke (Québec)

Location: Hotel Le President
3535 rue King ouest, Sherbrooke (Québec) -- 800.363.2941
<https://hotel-le-president.com>

Dates: November 14-15
(Tuesday-Wednesday)

AGENDA

Notes:

- Meeting is non-smoking
- Cell phones are to be turned off or on silent mode
- Participation in the discussions is a key component of the meeting's success – please refrain from non-meeting related activities, and keep side discussions to a minimum
- Coffee/tea, juices will be offered in the meeting room by 7:30-8:00 am on both meeting days

Monday, November 13th

Travel day for participants

18:00-19:30 ECBLRBAC Steering Committee Meeting - (Steering Committee Only)

Tuesday, November 14th - Champlain Room

08:00 – Continental Breakfast Coffee Break

08:30 – Welcome, Introductions & Miscellaneous Details

Business Session:

- Safety minute
- Minutes of Previous Meeting, if applicable
- Old Business
- New Business (ie: Elections for new Chair, Secretary/Treasurer)

Liaison Reports: (as available)

- ECBLRBAC Steering Committee Report
- WCBLRBAC
- Atlanta BLRBAC
- Other
- PAPTAC – Carmie Lato

09:30 – “Around the Table” – Brief Updates / Activities from Mills & Suppliers

10:00 – Coffee Break

10:15 – ECBLRBAC Incident Reports / Mill Incidents – Discussions
(Mills are asked to prepare reports and be prepared to present/discussion)

10:45 – **Presentation #1: Using Machine Learning to Model Boiler Bank Fouling**
(30 min) *Jerry Ng (University of Toronto)*

11:15 – Personnel Training – open discussion

12:00 – Group Lunch

13:00 – Mill Safety / Near Misses – open discussion

13:45 – Environmental Issues – open discussion

14:15 – **Presentation #2: Electrochemical recovery of caustic and acid from process liquors in a kraft mill**
(30 min) *Jean-Noël Cloutier (Hydro-Québec)*

- 14:45 – **Coffee Break**
- 15:00 – **Presentation #3: Electric Boilers-The Boilers of the Green Future?**
(30 min) *Blair Rydberg (Paper Excellence)*
- 15:30 – **Presentation #4: B&W - Spout Runner**
(30 min) *Speaker TBC*
- 16:00 - Operating Problems – open discussion
- 16:30 - Closing Remarks and Meeting adjournment
- 18:30 – Supplier sponsored Group Dinner – **Restaurant to be announced**

Wednesday, November 15th - Champlain Room

- 08:00 – **Continental Breakfast Coffee Break |**
- 08:25 – Morning Welcome and “Safety Minute”
- 08:30 – **Presentation #5: Our Evaporator CI Journey**
(30 min) *Stéphanie Morin & Jean-Benoit Thibodeau (Domtar Windsor) and Dominic St-Onge (Différence GCS)*
- 09:00 – Boiler Manufacturers Updates (as available) -- GE / Andritz / B&W / Valmet / Others
- 10:15 – **Coffee Break**
- 10:30 – Operating Problems – open discussion
- 11:00 – Closing Business
- Meeting critique / Suggestions for future presentations
 - Future Meetings – dates & locations
 - New Executive Positions (Chair)
- 11:30 – 12:30 – **Group Lunch**
- 12:30 – 12:45 – Group meeting in lobby for Domtar mill visit - **(organizing of car pools, taxis, etc.)**
- 12:45 – 13:00 – Groups MUST depart for Windsor as it is a 30 minute ride and mill visit needs to start promptly at 13:30
- 13:30 – **Domtar Windsor** Mill Visit (+/- 2 hours, from 13:30 – 15:30)
safety boots and long sleeves obligatory
- 15:30 – Travel back home / to hotel / etc.