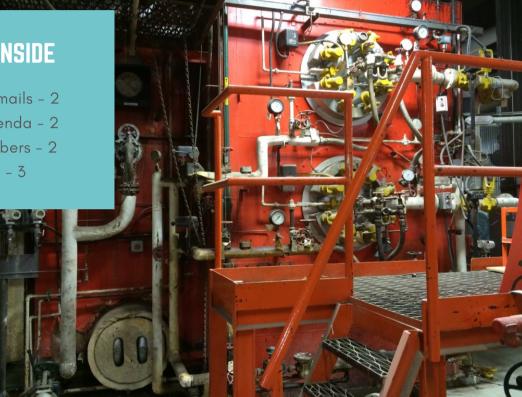


# ONTARIO BRANCH NEWSLETTER

The official newsletter of the Ontario Branch of the Institute of Power Engineers

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#### A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE

Happy New Year! With 2021 comes the opportunity for the IPE to kick things off right; starting with the first meeting of the Ontario Branch on January 13th at 19:00. 2020 has been a rocky year on many fronts, and with reference to power engineering, the launch of Path 2 by the TSSA.

So far, only a small handful of companies have actually applied to use Path 2, with the majority remaining in Path 0 (the use of the current regulation). This spring the TSSA is supposed to be providing information as well as seeking feedback regarding the new qualification changes to the operating engineers licensing. This is supposed to provide flexibility to operators using a variety of types of qualifying time to reach their required amounts.

TSSA will also be meeting this spring with the IPE and advisory committees in preparation for the launch of Path 1, which will use the current regulation with the addition of a risk rating. For more information, please visit the <u>TSSA webpage</u>. The Ontario Branch has been officially set up, and banking arrangements have been made from the prior Owen Sound Sub-Branch. The <u>IPE Ontario Branch webpage</u> is also updated now, so please check it out!

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### **NEW EMAILS FOR THE EXECUTIVE**

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### FIRST MEETING - JANUARY 13 19:00

#### Agenda

- 1. Take attendance
- 2. Introductions if necessary
- 3. Update on Ontario Branch
- 4. Financial state of Ontario Branch
- 5. Update from Ontario Area
- 6. Update on TSSA and examinations
- 7. Intent of branch for first half of 2021
- 8. Discussion around getting a list of Ontario plants with registration
- 9. Any other business, questions, requests for branch

## **MESSAGE TO MEMBERS / STUDENTS**

If any members need to update their information, please email webmaster.ontariobranch@ipe.org.

If members know of anyone interested in joining the IPE Ontario Branch, please pass along that the February meeting will be free for anyone to join so that they can test the waters. All further meetings will require a membership with the IPE. We are offering student memberships starting at \$20 for this year only. Please visit the <u>Ontario IPE website</u> for information on how to join.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Currently, meetings are restricted to being hosted solely online and will have a variety of focus in the new year. Our intent is to have presentations on topics such as employer expectations, first time Chiefs, new to industry, when things go wrong, making a difference, what engineers should look for, Q&A sessions for students, and more. If you have any topics ideas, please let us know! Once Covid-19 becomes a thing of the past and lightens our restrictions, we will start reaching out for plant tours again. We feel that these are the best learning opportunities for all Power Engineers.



#### **FEBRUARY 2021**

- First Monday, Newsletter
- February 10, Meeting MARCH 2021
- First Monday, Newsletter
- March 10, Meeting
  APRIL 2021
- First Monday, Newsletter
- April 14, Meeting **MAY 2021** 
  - First Monday, Newsletter
- May 12, Meeting
  - First Monday, Newsletter
- June 16, Meeting
- JULY 2021
- First Monday, Newsletter



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