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Climate Change Project Canada – An Inconvenient Truth

Date: Tuesday, March 3rd, 2009

Time: 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Location: Spencer Engineering Building, University of Western Ontario, London, ON,
N6A 5B9

Room:

Cost: Free

AGENDA

Introductions

Maike Luiken, Ph.D., Chair, IEEE London Section,
Dean, Applied Research, Business Development & Innovation, Sustainability
Development

Keynote:

Climate Change Project Canada – An Inconvenient Truth

Keynote Speaker:

[Rev'd Paul Woolley Dipl.AA, BA, Dipl. Tech Ed, BEd, MDiv](#)

Beverages and light snacks will be provided

Questions and Answers and General Discussion

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Climate Change Project Canada – An Inconvenient Truth

An Inconvenient Truth was an award winning documentary film released in 2006 that focuses on former US Vice President Al Gore and his travels in support of his efforts to educate the public about the severity of the climate crisis. Gore has been trying to tell the story of the Climate Crisis, since his early days as a college student with climate expert Roger Revelle at Harvard University, and during his extensive political career. The film closely follows a presentation (dubbed "the slide show") that Gore has presented throughout the world, which explores the scientific data and predictions for climate disaster, if the problem is left unsolved. It intersperses Gore's exploration of data and predictions regarding climate change and its potential for disaster with Gore's life story.

Mr. Gore decided that the film was to be only a part of his efforts to educate people worldwide about the climate crisis. He began training selected people to update, customize, and localize "the slide show" for varied audiences. So far, 1000 people worldwide have been personally trained by Mr. Gore to present this important message. The climate crisis has recently been brought to the attention of many because of Mr. Gore's recent testimony to a US Senate investigation.

Paul Woolley is one of these exclusive groups of presenters, who were one of 250 Canadians selected from thousands of applicants to be trained by Mr. Gore, Dr. David Suzuki, and Dr. Andrew Weaver in Montreal during April 2007. Paul has presented varied versions to a large number of audiences since that time.

BIOGRAPHY

Rev'd Paul Woolley Dipl.AA, BA, Dipl. Tech Ed, BEd, MDiv

Paul is a third generation Sarnian. Prior to his present career as an Anglican Priest, he was involved in many technical pursuits. His first business venture was setting up a part time radio and electronics repair business at the age of fourteen. Later on he worked at a facility that made parts for missiles. He left that position in 1972 to begin a manufacturing business that made loudspeakers and other audio equipment. In 1982 he joined the faculty of Lambton College in Sarnia, lecturing mostly in the Electronics Technology Department. He also spent a number of years as a High School Teacher for the Lambton Board of Education. After completing his Master of Divinity, with Distinction, he was ordained in 1998, and has worked for the church both in Canada and the United States. Paul also spends seven weeks of the year working for the Canadian Forces.

Paul has had an interest in alternative energy, and environmental concerns for most of his life. He sees the climate crisis as not only a scientific and technical concern, but also as an ethical and justice concern that require people to change their ways of thinking about these issues.

Paul is active in community work as the president of the Brain Injury Association Sarnia-Lambton, and as President of the Friends of Fairmile Q105, a group that is restoring Canada's only remaining WWII sub-chaser.

Paul is married to Diane, and they have two daughters, Rachelle – a fashion designer, and Chantal – a member of the Canadian Navy.

