

Final Plenary Consultation MDEC Conference 2007

Sheraton Parkway, Toronto North,
Richmond Hill
October 1-5, 2007

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Summary - MDEC Conference 2006

- October 10-13, Sheraton Parkway, Richmond Hill
- Number of delegates registered = 114
- October 10 – Diesel Workshop
 - A short course on diesel technology
- October 11-12, Technical presentations
- October 13, Roundtable forum on four topics
 - Engine & vehicles (JP Ouellette)
 - Training & maintenance (Frank Voit)
 - Sampling techniques & TLVs (Michel Grenier)
 - Control technologies & alternative Fuels (A. Bugarski)
- Received 61 surveys on 11th, and 52 on 12th

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How useful did you find the sessions?

Session	Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Fully satisfactory	Superior	Outstanding
	%	%	%	%	%
Emission control	0	13	43	34	10
Field studies	0	12	36	39	11
Biodiesel	0	12	41	34	14
Engine technologies	2	13	41	39	6
DPF & NO _x Control	9	9	19	40	23
Regulatory perspectives	4	12	46	28	10
Surface mines	0	14	46	35	5

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How valuable did you find the display area? (Survey-MDEC Conference 2006)

- Unsatisfactory 5%
- Satisfactory 22%
- Fully Satisfactory 41%
- Superior 24%
- Outstanding 7%

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Delegates Affiliation, % (Survey-MDEC Conference 2006)

- Mining Company 43 (38)
- Mining Supplier 21 (21)
- Government 13 (17)
- Union 10 (13)
- Other 13 (11)

(2005 data in brackets)

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Delegates Location Survey, % (Survey - MDEC Conference 2006)

- GTA 5 (21)
- Ontario (excluding GTA) 35 (29)
- Canada (excluding Ontario) 17 (12)
- USA 38 (34)
- Overseas 5 (4)

(data in brackets based on actual registration)

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**Do you think the conference should be held:
(Survey - MDEC Conference 2006)**

- Every year 73%
- Every 2nd year 25%
- Other 2%

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**How did you rate the quality of papers?
(Survey- MDEC Conference 2006)**

Items	Unsatisfactory %	Satisfactory %	Fully satisfactory %	Superior %	Outstanding %
Technical value	0	10	36	48	6
Presentation	0	13	34	49	4
Visual material	2	10	38	46	4

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**How did you rate the conference for the following?
(Survey-MDEC Conference 2006)**

Items	Unsatisfactory	Satisfactory	Fully satisfactory	Superior	Outstanding
	%	%	%	%	%
Overall	0	7	31	52	10
Location	0	15	23	40	21
Venue	0	10	33	40	17
Organization	0	8	21	44	27
Length of Papers	0	14	33	39	14

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General Comments from the Last Year

- First time I attended this conference and found this day very interesting, very good
- Good selection of topics and usable information
- Support the need for a committee such as MDEC to be the source of information and regulation to end users
- Would like to have all the presentations in the binders
- Assure process for supplying missing presentations in a timely fashion
- Found the day 1 was distracted by noise from next door

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General Comments from the Last Year

- MDEC provides good contacts to promote mining efforts to reduce DPM, interaction point between mining companies and suppliers.
- I found McBean's keynote information, uplifting and very enjoyable
- Having Marnie as keynote/inspirational talk was a good idea
- Would have liked to have a keynote address be more relevant to the issues which have brought us here at such specific scope and focus conference
- Well done, good formula – see you next year

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General Comments from the Last Year

- Did not mention emergency exists and escape routes
- The lunch was excellent
- I preferred the old location (Hilton)
- Good case studies on biodiesel fuel
- Get presentations on effects of DPM on health
- Eco driving should be introduced in the mining industry, not only for saving energy, but decrease exhaust gases
- Presentation by unions, mining contractors, or they could sponsor medical papers

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General Comments from the Last Year

- Tables are too small and cramped
- More focus on maintenance of older engines, too much focus on new emerging technology that isn't even available
- Could use papers regarding ventilation improvements/efficiency
- Info on industrial hygiene, measurement
- Need a workshop on testing and emissions
- Workshop on machine & testing, hear more from actual people who performed work.

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General Comments from the Last Year

- Would have liked to see presentations from regulatory bodies
- Surface mining is applicable and timely
- Visit of mining operation & observation of reduction equipment, one day prior to conference
- Suggest one day conference rate
- Reduce conference fee to authors who submit paper on time
- Equipment manufacturers seem to be missing

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General Comments from the Last Year

- Very good information, discussion, fieldtrip would be good
- Move to the middle of town so its closer to the airport
- Some of the graphs were very busy for time spent on them, information was good, just limited time to explain
- Fully valuable use of time
- Conference was well worth attending
- Would like to see more Canadian content
- Good conference this year, good papers very timely

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General Comments from the Last Year

- Provided good opportunities for collaboration between participants
- Host have done a wonderful job of facilitating the presentation, fully professional in my book
- Move conference a weak away from long weekend to facilitate travel
- With so much technology, you need a very periodic review
- Would like to see a follow-up to ongoing diesel particulate filters, overall very informative, very well done.

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Review - MDEC Conference 2007 Planning Meetings

- 1. November 17, 2006**
- 2. April 25, 2007**
- 3. June 14, 2007**

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Review - MDEC Conference 2007

- Keynote speaker – Air pollution, climate change, and health effects
- Field trip to CVRD Inco Creighton u/g mine, and CANMET-MMSL research lab
- A full day pre-conference course on Engine and DPF Technology
- Roundtable discussions on four topics
- Incorporation of MDEC, registered as a non-profit organization

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MDEC Mission Statement

Mining Diesel Emissions Council is committed to providing a global forum for the dissemination of the latest scientific and technologically advanced research to reduce and control diesel emissions in the mining workplace environment

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Plans for MDEC 2008

- For MDEC information, please visit www.dieselnet.com/mdec
- This hotel is booked for October 6-10, 2008
- Need suggestions on
 - Type of technical presentations
 - Name of specialized presenters
 - Topics for workshop, roundtable, and panel discussions
 - Short pre and post conference trips

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Final Remarks

- Join MDEC Conference Committee
- May start MDEC newsletter if there is enough interest
- Send your suggestions to improve MDEC
- Thanks to all delegates, presenters, chairpersons, workshop speakers, roundtable facilitators, committee members, audio/video and hotel management.

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THANK YOU

Please send your suggestions, comments

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