

**EXPLORE ATTENDEE LIST**

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**This Week's Top Story | April 17, 2026****Building Canada's Future Electricity Grid: 2026 Research Now Available**

EFC is pleased to share its latest national research report, Building Canada's Future Electricity Grid, now available to members in both English and French.

Developed in collaboration with Dunsky Energy + Climate Advisors, this report provides a comprehensive look at the technologies, supply chains, and policy considerations required to support Canada's transition to a net-zero electricity system.

As electrification accelerates across transportation, buildings, and industry, electricity demand in Canada is projected to grow significantly by 2050. This will require the grid to expand and evolve at an unprecedented pace.

The research highlights a key shift. While many of the technologies needed to enable this transformation are already available, barriers to deployment, particularly across supply chains and regulatory frameworks, are slowing progress.

Key themes include:

- The role of grid technologies in enabling electrification and reliability
- Supply chain constraints affecting infrastructure deployment
- The need to modernize regulatory frameworks
- Opportunities to strengthen domestic manufacturing and investment

Whether you are involved in manufacturing, distribution, or system integration, these insights provide valuable context to support planning and engagement with partners and policymakers.

[Download the full report](#)

**Industry News**

**EFC Appears Before Senate Committee on Bill S-4** – This week, Carol McGlogan, EFC President & CEO, appeared before the Senate of Canada's Standing Committee on Energy, the Environment and Natural Resources (ENEV), bringing forward member perspectives on Bill S-4. EFC reinforced support for the legislation's intent while highlighting the need for proportionate enforcement, clarity of regulatory scope and outcomes-based regulation, support for innovation through a regulatory sandbox, harmonization across jurisdictions, and realistic implementation timelines (~18 months). [Read EFC's Submission](#)

*EFC's Industry Conference*

**Industry Condolences Tribute** – EFC will be honouring members who have passed away since May 2025 at this year's industry conference in Halifax. If you know a member you would like to recognize as part of this tribute, please submit their name, company, a recent photo, and years of service. The tributes will be shared during the business program at conference. Submissions can be sent to Dennis Potharst at [dpotharst@electrofed.com](mailto:dpotharst@electrofed.com)

**REMINDER: Talent Pulse Survey | Help Inform What's Next** – EFC is seeking member insight through a short, confidential survey to inform 2026 priorities and identify where talent and recruitment efforts can have the greatest impact. Your input will help highlight key opportunities, challenges, and investment needs. Take the survey [here](#)

**2026 EFC Atlantic Family Scholarship** – Electro-Federation Canada's (EFC) Atlantic Region is pleased to offer two (2) one-time Family Scholarship awards of \$1,000 each to a student entering their first or second year of post-secondary study. This program is open to EFC Atlantic members' children and dependents. To apply, [click here](#). Submissions are due Friday, May 15, 2026. For more information, contact [Dennis Potharst](#)

**LAST CALL: Quebec Personality of the Year 2025** – Each year, Quebec members present the Personality of the Year Award to honour an individual who has been a significant contributor to our industry in the Quebec region, demonstrating strong leadership through personal and professional contributions. The last day to nominate is April 26. [Click here](#) to nominate.

**Ontario Stellantis Distribution Centre Tour | April 23** – Get an inside look at one of the most advanced parts distribution operations in North America. During the tour, you will experience: a live AutoStore grid with 40,000+ bins densely packed in a compact footprint, a fleet of ~30 robots operating simultaneously on top of the grid, retrieving parts with precision and speed, goods-to-person workstations where parts are delivered directly to operators for fast, ergonomic order fulfillment, a system designed to dramatically increase throughput while reducing space requirements and improving order accuracy. [Learn more](#)

**REMINDER: Quebec YPN GATHER Activity | April 25** – Quebec's RJP committee invites all EFC members from the Quebec region to a networking event featuring a variety of sports at the Ministry of Cricket in Montreal. On the program: bubble soccer, archery, ping-pong, dodgeball, a cricket batting cage, and an inflatable obstacle course for younger children! [Click here](#) to register.

**Quebec Women's Network Presents The Ferron Sisters + Lean In Activity | May 14** – The Quebec Women's Network committee invites you to an enriching and welcoming day, beginning with a presentation by the Ferron Sisters, followed by a full cocktail reception with refreshing beverages, and concluding with our popular Lean In group discussion activity. [Register now](#)

**National YPN Day Quebec | June 10** – Quebec's YPN committee invites you to celebrate young professionals with a day of guest speakers, donations to the Quebec Diversity and Equity scholarship, and industry networking. The day will include three speakers, lunch, a professional business photo service and more. This event is exclusively for YPN members (40 and under) [Register now](#)

**NEW: Quebec Region Golf Tournament Launch | June 15** – General registration for the 26<sup>th</sup> edition of the Quebec Region Golf Tournament at Elm Ridge Golf Course is now open! Sponsorship opportunities are still available. Please contact [Lorance De Carvalho](#) for more information. [Register now](#)

**NEW: 2026 Ontario Region Golf Tournament | June 16** – EFC's Ontario Region is thrilled to invite you to our Annual Golf Tournament on June 16 at the beautiful Nobleton Lakes Golf Club. Spend the day networking with industry peers, and having friendly competition on the fairways. Whether you're swinging to finish on top or simply out to enjoy a great day of golf, this is an event you won't want to miss! Spaces are limited – secure your spot today! [Register now](#)

**LightFest 2026** – GS Lighting Group invites industry professionals to LightFest 2026, a free lighting trade show, conference, and networking event on June 10 in Cambridge, ON. [Click here to learn more or to register](#)

**Leviton Welcomes Marie-Chantal Cantin as Territory Manager in Southern Alberta** – [View the LinkedIn post](#)

**Adam MacDonald Joins Noramco as New Senior Territory Account Manager, Telecom, Western Canada** – [View the LinkedIn post](#)

**Schneider Electric Canada Recognized as one of Canada's Most Admired™ Corporate Cultures** – [View the LinkedIn post](#)

*Habitat for Humanity*

**Earth Day Spotlight: Supporting Habitat ReStore** – This Earth Day, April 22, we are proud to recognize the positive impact EFC members continue to make through their support of Habitat ReStore. Donating excess inventory to Habitat ReStore is a meaningful way to reduce environmental impact while supporting affordable housing locally. Each year, ReStores across Canada divert thousands of tonnes of quality materials from landfill, giving new life to products that would otherwise go to waste. Proceeds from ReStore sales are reinvested directly into Habitat's work, helping to fund the construction and repair of safe, affordable homes for families across Canada. [View the LinkedIn post](#)

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