

Wellington Network Forthcoming Event

Distinguished Lecture #2: Energy – Our Secret Weapon

Mike Underhill, Chief Executive, Energy Efficiency and Conservation Authority

Wednesday, 01 June 2011 from 17:00 to 19:00 Spectrum Theatre, Cnr Customhouse Quay & Johnston St, Wellington

Energy underpins everything we do. How we generate and use energy every day has a massive impact on our wellbeing, our nation's profitability, our international reputation and our environment.

New Zealand is blessed with amazing renewable energy resources that give us an enviable platform to build from. We have the technologies and the knowledge to shave millions from our collective business energy bills, and we have a residential market that is increasingly looking for ways to make better use of the energy they use every day. If we are clever, we can capitalize on these opportunities to underpin a prosperous and internationally competitive economy

In his talk, Mike will outline some of these opportunities, the barriers we need to tackle and the consequences of getting it right.

Mike has extensive management experience in the gas and electricity sector in New Zealand and overseas. He has been chief executive of WEL Networks, TransAlta, and Energy Direct. He has also had significant governance experience in this sector, and has been chairman of Pacific Energy Ltd, EECA, and Katolyst, the Waikato Regional Development agency.

He has a Bachelor's degree in engineering, a Master's degree in economics, has completed the Advanced Management Program at Harvard, and is a Fellow of the Institution of Professional Engineers. Mike Underhill joined EECA as Chief Executive in May 2007.

Proceedings will commence with refreshments and conversation at 17:00, followed by the presentation at 17:30. Non Members welcome.

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