

Wheeler Report Tidal Recommendation

The key recommendation of David Wheeler's recently released Report advising the provincial government on how to reach 25% renewable by 2015, as it pertains to the development of tidal energy, is positive.

The Report recommends that ".....the Department of Economic and Rural Development should convene a high level task force to discuss a commercialization and human capital development strategy for ocean energy and make clear recommendations on roles for government, business and academia in pursuing an aggressive commercialization strategy. This task force should report before July 1st with recommendations for significantly enhancing the R&D, outreach and effectiveness of Provincial ocean energy commercialization."

This recommendation coupled with those made at the November 4th Marine Energy Workshop should be cause for the Province to build a strategy attractive to tidal investors....This in turn could lead to the development of a Nova Scotian-based ocean energy industry