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Seminar focuses on future of Ontario Hydro

Should Ontario Hydro be privatized or remain a Crown corporation? That is the question that will be addressed by a number of speakers and panelists March 20 in the latest Laurier Municipal Affairs Seminar.

The morning-long session, organized by Kitchener Mayor (and Laurier assistant professor of sociology) Richard D. Christy, will feature two speakers and four panelists representing both Ontario Hydro and major municipal customers.

The speakers are Rod Taylor, vice-president, corporate strategies and sustainable development, Ontario Hydro, whose topic is Ontario Hydro - Finding New Paths to the Customer, and Jim MacKenzie, general manager of Guelph Hydro and the immediate past-president of the Municipal Electric Association. His topic is A Customer First Blueprint.

Panelists are Alex Saba, an account executive with Ontario Hydro; Norm Fraser, manager of electricity exchange, Ontario Hydro; Ron Charie, general manager and secretary, Kitchener-Wilmot Hydro; and Alvin Martin, immediate past-chair, Municipal Electric Association.

The discussion will be moderated by Mike Strathdee, a business reporter with The Record.

The seminar, which runs from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., will be held in the Paul Martin Centre at WLU. It is open to everybody.

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