Markham District Energy powers the community

It's been a banner 12 months for MDE – including receiving a prestigious international award and opening a second district energy system in the eastern sector of the City.



The MDE's Bur Oak Energy Centre services Cornell Centre and provides heating, cooling and power to the Markham Stouffville Hospital

n February 2014, MPP Michael Chan, Minister of Tourism, Culture & Sport, joined Markham officials, project partners and stakeholders to flip the switch on MDE's second district energy system, located at Cornell Centre. The system will provide unprecedented backup electricity and heating and cooling for Markham Stouffville Hospital, Cornell Community Centre, Cornell Fire Hall and the surrounding area. This makes Markham the only Canadian municipality to own and operate two distinct district energy systems.

Adding to its reputation, MDE was named the 2013 IDEA System of the Year Award by the International District Energy Association – the highest honour a member organization can earn. It recognizes exemplary efficiency, reliability, safety and environmental stewardship, as well as overall commitment



Markham District Energy celebrated receiving the IDEA System of the Year Award for 2013. From left: Craig Graham, MDE Chief Operating Engineer; IDEA selection committee chair Ray DuBose; Bruce Ander, MDE President and CEO; Mayor Frank Scarpitti; and Peter Ronson, MDE Vice President.

to customer service excellence and industry engagement.

"The Markham story is a primary example of how municipal leadership can be... instrumental in launching new district energy systems and can be replicated as [officials] seek new clean energy solutions," explained IDEA President and CEO Robert Thornton.

"The City of Markham is proud to own and operate our local district energy system and to be distinguished as a global best-practice leader," said Mayor Frank Scarpitti. "Through Markham District Energy, we're able to provide efficient, reliable and sustainable heating and cooling service to city-owned facilities as well as residential, institutional



and commercial buildings."

MDE is committed to continuing as a leading developer of municipally owned district energy systems supporting Markham's Greenprint Sustainability Plan and economic development objectives. Learn more at markhamdistrictenergy.com





Digital Realty opening in Markham

Councillor Alex Chiu (far left) and Director of Economic Development Stephen Chait (far right) joined U.S. executives from SunGard and Digital Realty in the launch of Digitial Realty's Data Centre in Markham, which is scheduled to be in operation in the summer of 2014.



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