OTTAWA, Ontario – March 20, 2015. At the invitation of Rafael Barak, the Israeli Ambassador to Canada, a delegation of members from the Canadian Electricity Association (CEA) and representatives from the Government of Canada will travel to Tel Aviv, Israel, from March 20-25, 2015. With their government counterparts, participants will examine energy, security, and cyber threat issues. They will also attend a global conference, Cybertech 2015, and engage with the energy start up community on cyber security issues.

“The purpose of our visit is to learn from Israel’s cyber security experiences and best practices,” said Francis Bradley, Vice President, Policy Development, Canadian Electricity Association. “As part of the electricity sector’s commitment to securing the critical assets that assure the continued reliable supply of electricity to Canadians, we seek to learn from the best, wherever they may be.”

Participants include representatives with expertise in energy security and infrastructure from CEA’s membership and Public Safety Canada, including:

- Francis Bradley, Vice President, Policy Development, Canadian Electricity Association
- Ross Johnson, Senior Manager of Security and Contingency Planning, Capital Power Corporation
- Tim Aplin, IT Technical Consultant - Security Operations Threat Risk Control, Toronto Hydro Corporation
- Andrew Chester, President, Juno Risk Solutions
- Alyx Holland, Advisor, Government Relations, Canadian Electricity Association
- Pierre Janse van Rensburg, SCADA Security Specialist, ENMAX Power Corporation
- Tony Power, Senior Director, Corporate Security, Emera Inc.

“During my career with the Canadian Forces, I served on deployments in Israel and am excited to return,” said Ross Johnson, Senior Manager of Security and Contingency Planning, Capital Power Corporation. “Israel has a world-class cyber defence strategy and technology, and I look forward to implementing the learnings from this trip to the benefit of our electricity consumers back home.”

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