## Federal Innovation in EM: Transforming the Way We Work and Influence Meaningful Change with our Indigenous Partners

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**Presentation Abstract:** An overview of how the Canada Energy Regulator has turned the tide with reconciliation and addressed the emergency management needs of today and are improving them for the future. This includes:

- •Advancing meaningful Indigenous involvement in EM. Working with the Indigenous Advisory Monitoring Committee and Indigenous Monitors, developing and implementing processes, tools, best practices, guidance, and regulatory initiatives and updates.
- •Facilitating relationship building to drive change, respond, and resolve issues. Creating space and encouraging an open dialogue, recognizing the unique Indigenous cultures, knowledge, and histories, and assisting in the implementation of improvements to address key concerns (e.g., conducting exercises specifically designed to test company knowledge of Chance Find protocols).
- •Indigenous Gatherings on the Land to promote a shared understanding of roles and responsibilities and how we can improve the way we work.
- •Utilizing learnings from compliance oversight, emergency response, and best practices, to enhance our preparedness and response.

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