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2026 and Beyond: MESCA Accelerates Indigenous Led Clean Energy Innovation

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Mitsubishi Electric Sales Canada Inc. (MESCA) is deepening its partnership with Indigenous Clean Energy (ICE) as we enter 2026 with renewed purpose. ICE is a national Indigenous-led Canadian nonprofit that supports First Nations, Inuit, and Métis communities in adopting sustainable energy and developing youth leadership. Together, MESCA and ICE are helping build a community-driven energy future—one where Indigenous voices lead, new relationships grow, and responsible land stewardship is honored.





Delegates from eight nations visit the Mitsubishi Electric Nakatsugawa Works

A turning point: Works visits in Japan

In September 2025, Sanal Sreedharan, MESCA's National Strategic Accounts Manager from Markham, Ontario, accompanied a delegation of Indigenous leaders on an ICE program visit to Mitsubishi Electric factories in Shizuoka, Wakayama, and Nakatsugawa, Japan. Delegates—who invested their own time and resources—toured world-class HVAC and Jet Towel manufacturing facilities. Seeing cutting-edge products up close helped participants envision how high-efficiency equipment could support their communities' energy-efficiency goals and broader energy transition plans. The visit, arranged following consultations with MESCA and sustainability consultant firm CP Logic, reinforced transparency and laid the foundation for deeper collaboration.

Building trust with Indigenous communities

That trip strengthened MESCA's relationships and trust with Indigenous communities. Eight nations participated in the Japan visit, and interest in ICE programming has since expanded to more than a dozen additional nations. Under Sanal's leadership, MESCA is working side-by-side with communities to translate interest into concrete projects.

"No one left behind" in the energy transition

Between 2026 and 2028, MESCA expects to deploy thousands of residential heat pumps and Energy Recovery Ventilators (ERVs) across 27 communities. These deployments will extend to schools, hospitals, and elder-care facilities, bringing wide-ranging community benefits. MESCA's high-efficiency, net-zero-ready products align with evolving local needs and support ICE's goal of an equitable, inclusive energy transition that leaves no community behind.

National-scale collaboration and next steps

To support these efforts, Sanal is coordinating with MESCA's Vancouver sales office and distributors across Canada to secure equipment and enable essential infrastructure upgrades. With many communities completing or finalizing comprehensive energy audits, preparations are underway to begin installations in summer 2026. MESCA remains committed to nurturing meaningful partnerships that advance environmental stewardship and Indigenous leadership throughout this pivotal transformation.



Gift from the Alogonquins of Pikwakanagan First Nation to Mitsubishi Electric Global Air Conditioning and Refrigeration members at Mitsubishi Electric headquarters

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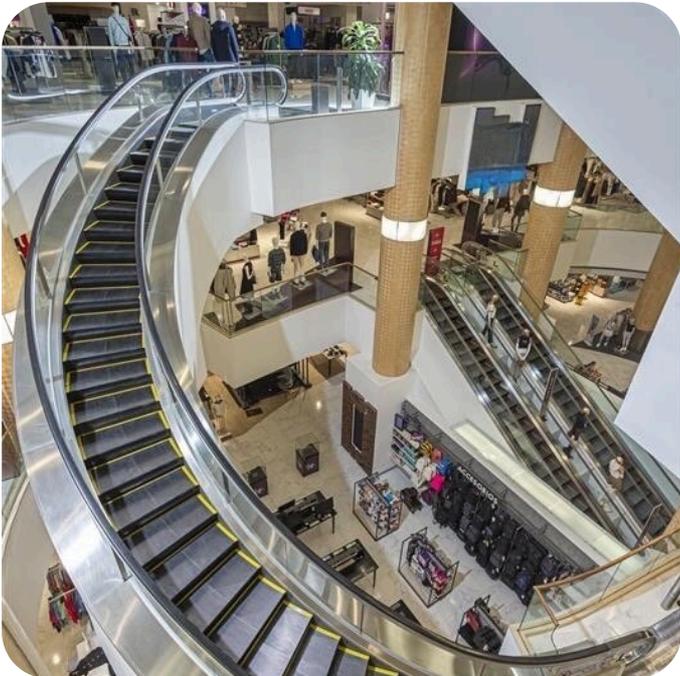
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