

**CARIBBEAN ENERGY EDUCATION**

**AWARENESS PROJECT WORKSHOP**

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**WELCOME REMARKS**

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**GOOD MORNING!**

I am pleased to have this opportunity to welcome this cadre of stakeholders, coordinators, facilitators and participants to this segment of the Caribbean Energy Education Awareness Workshop on behalf of the Minister, Permanent Secretary and Director of Education. Unfortunately, all of the referenced senior administrators of the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology are unable to be here this morning due to their involvement in the numerous education based activities geared toward the launching of the 2013/2014 school year scheduled for Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> of this month.

This two (2) day workshop which gives focus to understanding forms, sources and transformations of energy is co-sponsored by Kidwind Project, the Organization of American States (OAS), Energy and Climate Partnership of Americas and Caribbean Initiative.

The Bahamas, and the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology in particular, are extremely thankful to these organizations for their insight relative to the need to expose, create awareness and build

capacities not only among teachers but by extension students, with the view that they/students would use energy efficiently, sustainably and hopefully in the not to distant future become innovators in the field of energy.

The task of heightening energy awareness and the approach of involving students through education are both timely and laudable.

On behalf of our senior administrators in the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology, I commend each and every one of you for your time and effort in making this workshop a reality.

Once again welcome to this timely and laudable workshop on Sustainable Energy for Educators in The Bahamas and I wish you every success throughout the workshop and beyond.

Thank You!