

Good day,

As the chair for the 2024 Operators and Power Engineers Conference, I am writing this letter on behalf of the organizing committee.

At last year's conference, the 2023 Power Engineers and Plant Maintenance Education Forum, we collected donation items from our participants and trade show members to raise money for Feed Nova Scotia. We sold tickets on a large table of prizes and all the proceeds went to feed Nova Scotia. We were able to raise \$655.00 for them.

The organizing committee is happy to announce we plan on collecting donations for Feed Nova Scotia as an ongoing part of our conference. 22% of households In Nova Scotia were food insecure in 2022. As inflation grows, so does this number in our communities. We would like to thank you for considering this request.

Please know that any donation for our prize table will be greatly appreciated, and all sponsors will be recognized at the Forum.

If you would like to donate a prize to the 2024 Operators and Power Engineers Conference or if you have concerns or questions regarding this request I may be reached by e-mail at <a href="mailto:OPEConferenceNS@gmail.com">OPEConferenceNS@gmail.com</a> or <a href="mailto:lumsden.sarah1@gmail.com">lumsden.sarah1@gmail.com</a>, or by phone 902-414-3781

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