

GAËTAN THOMAS



President & CEO



Énergie NB Power

Serving as CEO of NB Power since February 2010, Gaëtan Thomas is a committed industry leader and agent of change, driven by his deep connection to customer and employee grassroots.

His vision for NB Power includes a made-in-New Brunswick smart grid supported by customer-centric technology and a workforce aimed at creating a greener, more sustainable province. This plan, now in its fourth year, is helping to reduce reliance on fossil fuels, lowering costs and keeping customer rates low and stable.

Gaëtan grew up in a tiny Francophone village in northern New Brunswick before earning a degree in Electrical Engineering from the University of New Brunswick. A loyal and lifelong employee of the utility, he has worked in all aspects of the business including as Vice President of both Nuclear and Distribution and Customer Service divisions.

In 2015 & 2016, Gaëtan was honoured by Atlantic Business Magazine as one of the Region's Top 50 CEOs, and was selected as one of Canada's Most Influential Acadians by L'Acadie Nouvelle. He serves as a mentor for the Wallace McCain Institute of Entrepreneurial Leadership and is a board member for the Canadian Electricity Association, the World Association of Nuclear Operators (Atlanta Center), and electric vehicle advocacy group Plug 'n Drive Canada, and The New Brunswick Business Council.

Gaëtan is married to Karen Thomas and together they are proud parents to four grown daughters, with three having completed degrees in science or engineering and the fourth one aspiring to be a lawyer. He is also an accomplished marathon runner and power skating coach.