

# FALL '07 FROM FERNWOOD PUBLISHING

## Liquid Gold

### Energy Privatization in British Columbia

John Calvert

160pp • ISBN 978 1 55266 244 1 • \$19.95 • Rights: World • September

"This is the first full-scale treatment of electricity deregulation and privatization in Canada. Calvert shows how by manufacturing an energy crisis an unscrupulous and clever government can shift a public resource to the private sector. With privatization we're left with no energy security, higher prices, and environmental degradation. This excellent book should be read by everyone who cares about public resources in Canada." —Marjorie Griffin Cohen

"John Calvert debunks the claims of the private energy industry's equivalent of snake-oil salesmen, while ably defending B.C.'s public power heritage that serves us so well." —Bill Tieleman, 24 hours newspaper columnist and political commentator

Contents: Introduction • The Provincial Government's Energy Privatization Agenda • How Did We Get Here? The Path to Privatization and Deregulation • BC's Growing Need for Electricity: Creating the Opportunity for Private Energy Developers • The High Costs of Existing Private Energy Contracts • Energy Purchases from the Private Sector Do Not Provide a Secure Supply of Energy for BC's Future Needs • The Downside of Relying on Privately Owned Generation Facilities to Supply BC's Future Energy Requirements: Alcan's Energy Export Agenda • Private Energy Projects Are Heavily Dependent on Government Subsidies and Government Assistance • The Water Licence Give-Away: Our Streams and Rivers are a "Free Good" • Wind Energy: Crown Land is Open for Business • The Negative Impacts of Private Power Projects on Local Communities • Developers Against Communities: The Dispute Between the Squamish-Lillooet Community and Ledcor • Developers against Communities: Cascade Falls (Christina Lake & Kettle Falls/Kettle Valley) and Seabreeze • Lack of Benefits to Local Communities from Private Energy Developments • Impact of Non-Resident Ownership of "Green Energy" Projects on Communities and First Nations • The Economic Impact of the Government's Energy Plan and Its Policy of Expanding Private Energy Production • Co-opting First Nations • Securing Municipal Co-operation • The Costs to BC Hydro: Destroying the Assets of BC's Most Valuable Crown Corporation • Index

Fernwood Publishing Company Limited gratefully acknowledges the financial support of the Government of Canada through the Book Publishing Industry Development Program (BPIIDP), the Canada Council for the Arts and the Nova Scotia Department of Tourism and Culture for our publishing program.

\_\_\_ copies of Liquid Gold (ISBN 978 1552662441). Please send total plus \$3.50 shipping & handling for the first copy and \$1.50 shipping & handling for each additional copy. Please add 6% GST to the total. Professors—if you wish to receive an examination copy for course consideration, please order on departmental letterhead stating the course name, expected enrollment and expected date of adoption.

name \_\_\_\_\_ area code/tel \_\_\_\_\_

address \_\_\_\_\_

province/code \_\_\_\_\_ email \_\_\_\_\_

Please pay by Visa, Mastercard or mail with cheque \_\_\_\_\_ total amount \_\_\_\_\_

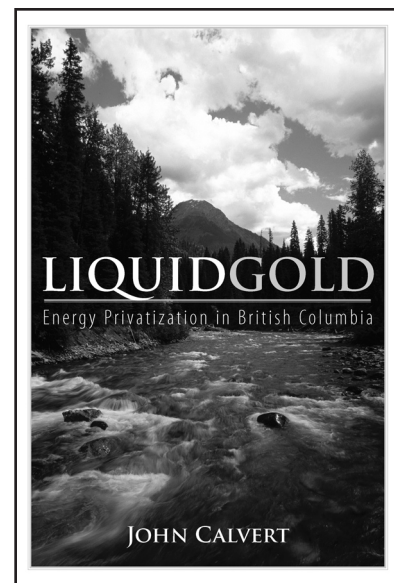
credit card # \_\_\_\_\_ expiry date \_\_\_\_\_

Order from Fernwood Books Ltd.

PO Box 1981, Peterborough, ON K9J 7X7

t-705.743.8990 f-705.743.8353 customerservice@broadviewpress.com

Also available at your local independent bookstore or order online from [www.rabble.ca/bookstore](http://www.rabble.ca/bookstore)



JOHN CALVERT is an associate professor at Simon Fraser University, where he teaches public policy. He has a PhD from the London School of Economics in political science and an MA from the University of Western Ontario. He is the author of three books on Canadian public policy and economic issues.



Fernwood Publishing • CRITICAL BOOKS FOR CRITICAL THINKERS • [www.fernwoodpublishing.ca](http://www.fernwoodpublishing.ca)