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# Conversations That Matter

Both online and in-person, IDEA provides numerous opportunities for district energy professionals to participate in conversations about best practice, real-time solutions and the future of district energy.

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<a href="#">Why connect to district energy?</a>	1	7 hours ago by <a href="#">Kenneth Church</a>
<a href="#">Introducing the New IDEACONnect Open Forum!</a>	2	yesterday by <a href="#">Robert Thornton</a>

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**RE: cyber security**  
By: [Lanny Joyce](#), 8 hours ago  
Jim, Hello from Ithaca! I would recommend checking out Tangible Security, Allen Harper is the lead of the company. I saw a presentation by Allen at a meeting I attended and was very impressed. They are the consultant for United Technologies/Carrier/Automated ...



**RE: Why connect to district energy?**  
By: [Kenneth Church](#), 9 hours ago  
Good question Richard and one that we in the Canadian District Energy Working Group are trying to understand. It has been said that the current practices are too "engineering" oriented and that maybe a fresh "consumer" approach is needed. Talk the ...

# Get Started

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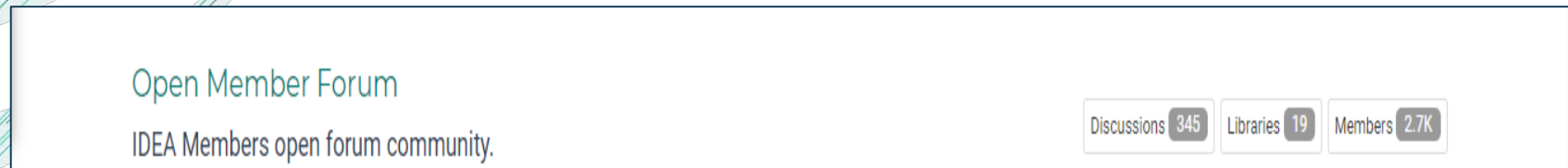
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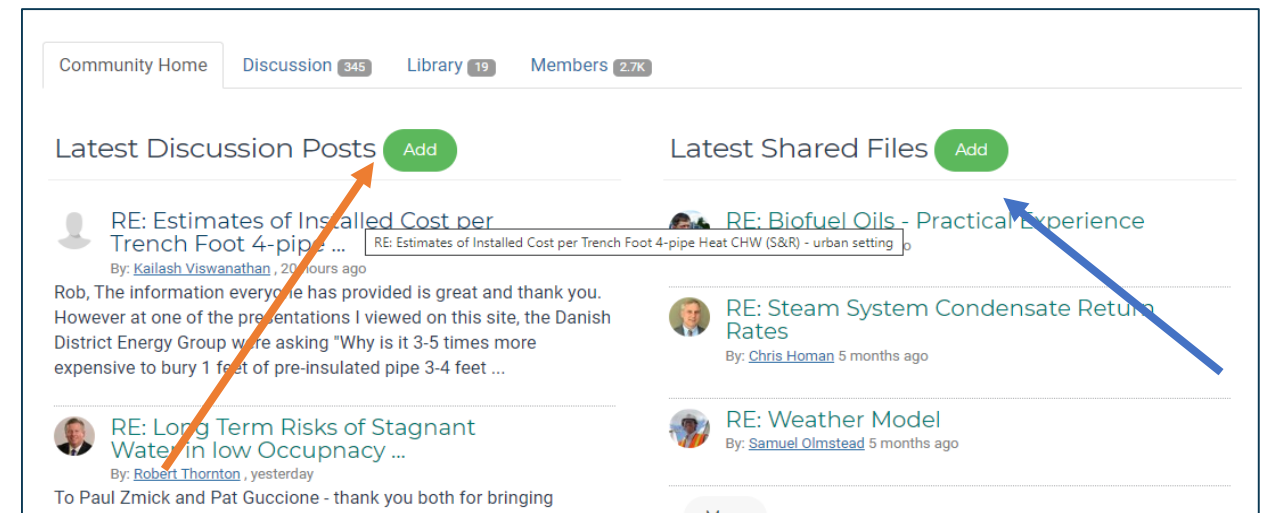
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2. Click on “Open Member Forum” and to be re-directed to post comments view. Click the ‘Discussions’ tab to view all of the discussion threads or click the ‘Add’ to start a new conversation.





# Join a Discussion

In the Discussions Tab, you will see a list of discussions taking place, the number of replies and the last post. To join in, click the discussion and you will be directed to the thread.

Then, click the 'reply' button to share your expertise. *You can respond publicly or privately.*

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[Lori Parker](#) Posted 10 days ago

Hello All,

posing an open question, curious how all systems are handling their operations employees, both the Plant personnel who tend to work in a more specific area that can be controlled and the service and distribution personnel who are regularly out working in public buildings, the street etc.

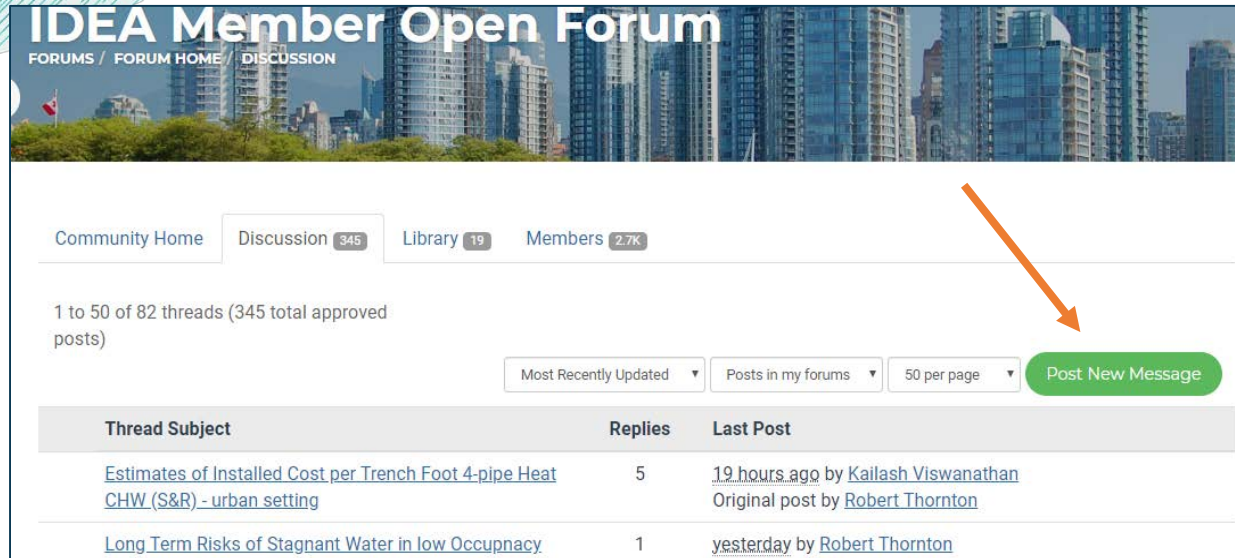
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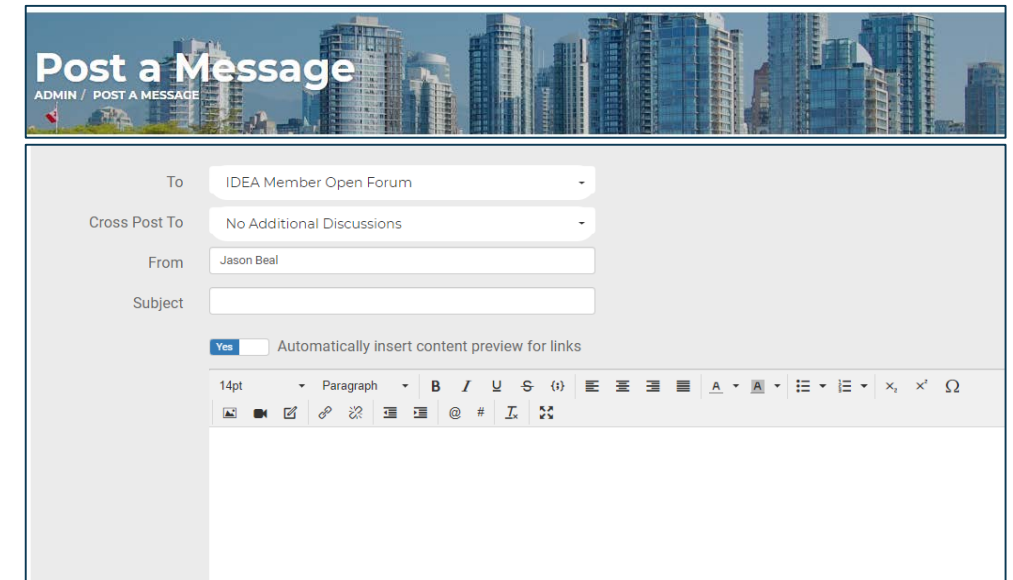
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