



BACKGROUND

Ministry of Energy

2017 Long-Term Energy Plan

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Ontario's 2017 Long-Term Energy Plan (LTEP), Delivering Fairness and Choice, provides information about what Ontarians can expect of the energy system over the next 20 years.

The 2017 LTEP puts a focus on making energy more affordable and outlines a number of measures, programs and initiatives to give consumers more choice in the way they use electricity, while offering ways to conserve energy and introducing new regulatory protections.

The LTEP is designed to be flexible and only commit resources as demand needs become clear. Ontario is in a strong electricity supply situation and well-positioned to meet demand at this time.

[Insert chart/graphic proving point above/showing overall supply mix]

As of July 1, 2017, Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan reduced electricity bills by 25 per cent on average for all residential consumers and as many as half a million small businesses and farms across the province. As part of the plan, any increases to bills will be held to the rate of inflation for four years.

Following this, the 2017 LTEP confirms that electricity prices are forecast to remain below the level projected in the 2013 LTEP. While rates will rise gradually, there will be no sharp spike in prices.

For example, the 2013 LTEP forecast that typical residential monthly electricity bills would be \$170 in 2017 and \$200 in 2027. The 2017 LTEP forecasts bills prices to be \$127 and \$181 respectively, including the change in average consumption from 800 to 750 kilowatt hours per month. The outlook for electricity prices for large consumers will be, on average, in-line with inflation over the forecast period.

[Insert chart on cost curve for residential/large consumers]

How is the LTEP developed?

The development of the LTEP is prescribed in the Electricity Act, 1998. Between October 2016 and January 2017, the Ministry of Energy engaged with industry experts, Indigenous partners, businesses and Ontarians across the province.

The consultation and engagement process included:

- 17 industry sessions, with participation from approximately 550 people
- 17 public open houses attended by hundreds of Ontarians
- 17 meetings with representatives from nearly 100 Indigenous communities and organizations
- More than 1,500 formal submissions, 200 letters and emails, as well as 2,835 online comments and submissions

Feedback was provided through:

- [Energy Talks consultation](#)
- [Environmental Registry](#)
- [In-person engagement sessions](#)

Implementation

Upon publishing the 2017 LTEP, the Minister of Energy will direct the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) and the OEB to develop implementation plans. For the 2017 LTEP, **these directives were issued by the Minister on XX and can be found here.** Agencies are required to prepare implementation plans based on the directives and submit them to the Minister for approval by January 31, 2018.

Once the Minister of Energy approves the plans, the Province, the IESO, and the OEB will move forward with implementation.

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