

RE: URGENT - Messaging for The House

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Hey – following up on the chat you had with Bill. Here's the list of the cost reduction initiatives he told you about:

Permanently rebating the provincial portion of the HST to reduce bills by 8%, and cutting delivery charges for the most rural customers even further for a total savings of 20%

Empowering industrial businesses to reduce bills by up to one third through the Industrial Conservation Initiative

Signing an agreement with Quebec that will help make electricity here more affordable, clean, and reliable, and save about \$70 million in electricity costs. It will also offset reliance on natural gas power plants, reducing GHG emissions by one million tonnes each year.

Removing the Debt Retirement Charge, saving the average family \$70/year on their bills

Suspending the second round of the Large Renewable Procurement process, saving up to \$3.8 B in costs

Reducing Feed-In-Tariff prices through annual price reviews, saving ratepayers at least \$1.9 B

Renegotiating the Green Energy Investment Agreement with Samsung, reducing contract costs by \$3.7 B

Deferring construction of two new nuclear reactors at Darlington, avoiding \$15 B in new construction costs

Maximizing the value of our existing nuclear by delaying the start of the Bruce refurbishment – saving \$1.7 B – and continuing to safely operate Pickering up to 2024, saving up to another \$600 M

This is on top of existing programs like the Ontario Electricity Support Program, which is saving families in need \$360/year on average, and the Rural or Remote Rate Protection program, which is also saving rural and remote customers \$324/year on average. Our plan provides needed assistance to consumers of all sizes, and it targets support to those that need help with the cost of everyday living most.

From: MacKenzie, Rebecca (OPO)
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Adding Andrew

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Rogers network.

From: Beaudry, Jennifer (OPO)
Sent: Thursday, November 10, 2016 1:38 PM
To: @OPO-Media Relations and Issues Management
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Hey guys – Chris Hall just pre-taped with David Dodge, who said: If Trump reduces regulations on energy producing sectors in the U.S. and that leads to reduced rates...And that could make a place like Ontario less competitive.

Chris will ask the Premier about this. Any different messaging she should respond with?

Thanks,
Jenn

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