

Ontario's Long-Term Energy Plan Delivers Fairness and Choice *Province's Strong Reliable Energy System Well-Posed for Future Challenges*

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Today, Ontario released the 2017 Long-Term Energy Plan (LTEP) that focusses on energy affordability, innovation and customer choice.

The LTEP, *Delivering Fairness and Choice*, is a road map that sets out the direction for Ontario's energy future. The Province engaged with Ontarians to develop the plan. During engagement, Ontarians said that affordability is a top priority and that consumers wanted more control and choice over how they use and pay for electricity.

Nearly \$70 billion has been invested in the electricity system since 2003. These investments have provided several benefits, including providing a clean and reliable electricity system. The government phased out coal-fired generating stations: Ontario's electricity system is now 90 per cent free of greenhouse gases that cause climate change. Ontario's success in building a clean and reliable electricity system means we can maintain our focus on helping Ontarians and their families.

The LTEP confirms that electricity prices over the 2017 LTEP outlook period are forecast to remain below the level forecasted in the 2013 LTEP. The outlook for electricity prices for large consumers will be, on average, in line with inflation over the forecast period.

In *Delivering Fairness and Choice*, Ontario outlines plans to improve fairness, flexibility and choice in the energy sector by:

- managing electricity system costs over the long term
- creating a more competitive and flexible electricity marketplace
- working with agencies to provide customers greater choice in their electricity price plans
- strengthening our commitment to Conservation First, and providing a coordinated, one-window approach to conservation across multiple energy sources and programs
- articulating a vision for grid modernization
- building on the Province's leading role in the global fight against climate change and supporting the goals of the Province's Climate Change Action Plan
- strengthening our commitment to energy conservation and efficiency
- supporting First Nation capacity and leadership as well as prioritizing remote First Nation communities' connection to the grid
- supporting regional solutions and infrastructure by working with agencies to implement the conservation policy in regional and local energy planning processes.

A strong long-term energy plan is part of Ontario's plan to create jobs, grow our economy and help people in their everyday lives.

QUOTES

“Ontario’s success in building a clean and reliable energy system means we can renew our focus on helping Ontarians and their families. The 2017 Long-Term Energy Plan delivers fairness and flexibility to prepare Ontarians and meet future challenges.”

— Glenn Thibeault, Minister of Energy

QUICK FACTS

- The Province issues the LTEP every three years. [The last LTEP was in 2013.](#)
- Thousands of people from across the province were engaged in the development of the 2017 LTEP. The consultation and engagement process, which took place from October 2016 to January 2017 included:
 - seventeen (17) stakeholder sessions approximately by 550 people
 - seventeen (17) public open houses attended by hundreds of Ontarians.
 - seventeen (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
- The Minister of Energy issued directives to the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) and the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) to develop implementation plans to meet objectives outlined in *Delivering Fairness and Choice*.

LEARN MORE

Delivering Fairness and Choice, the 2017 Long-Term Energy Plan (LTEP) [\[link\]](#)

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