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Context and overview

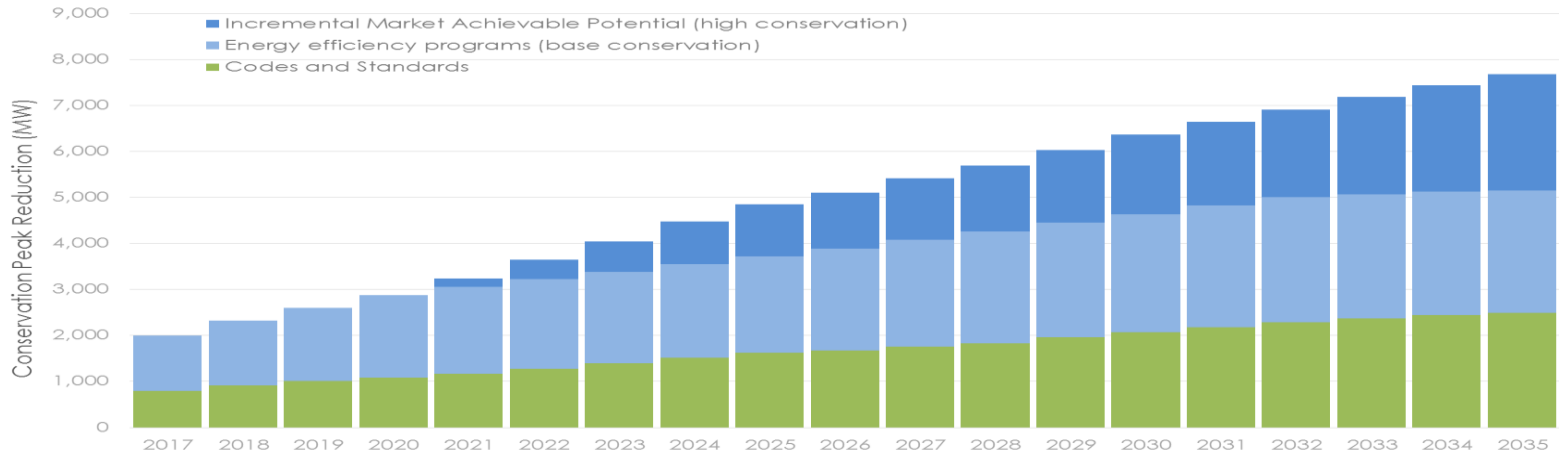
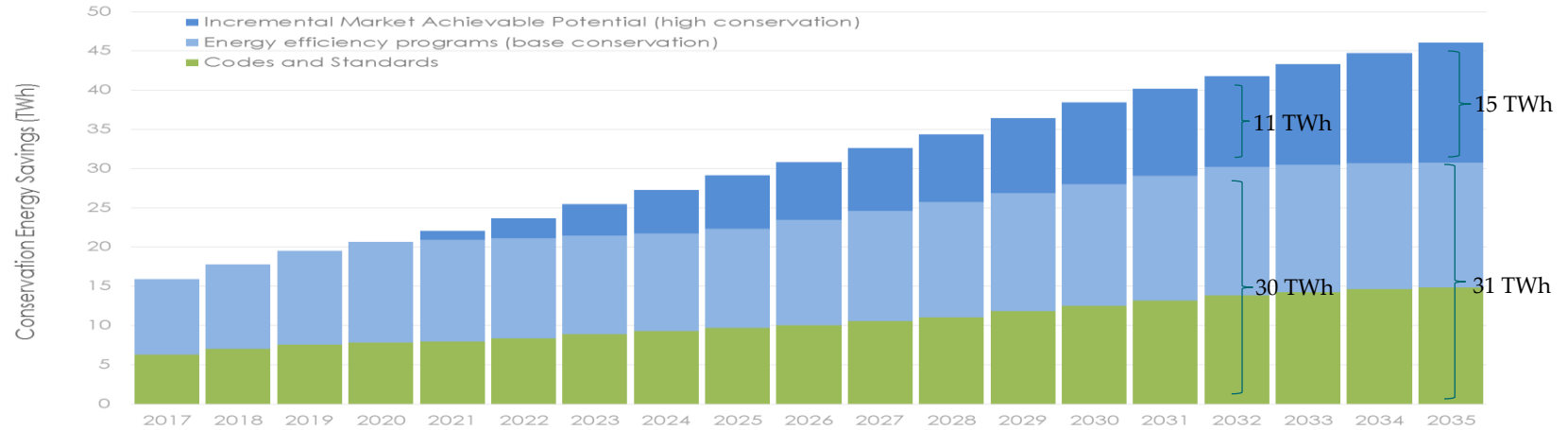
- At the request of the Ministry of Energy, the IESO has analyzed a range of electricity system outlooks to inform the development of the 2017 Long-Term Energy Plan (“2017 LTEP”)
 - Assumptions for the analysis are consistent with the document jointly prepared by the IESO and Ministry of Energy entitled: “Ministry of Energy’s 2017 Long-Term Energy Plan Modelling Assumptions, April 6 2017”
- The Ministry of Energy expressed interest in considering higher levels of long-term conservation savings, informed by the 2016 Market Achievable Potential (“MAP”) study. Higher long-term conservation savings are accordingly reflected in the IESO’s analysis, which considers:
 - Conservation savings of 30 TWh by 2032, per the 2013 LTEP and consistent with the 2016 Ontario Planning Outlook (31 TWh by 2035)
 - Conservation savings of 41 TWh by 2032, consistent with the 2016 Market Achievable Potential study (46 TWh by 2035)
- The IESO’s analysis is summarized in the following slides, with focus on implications for electricity demand and supply, greenhouse gas emissions and costs

Summary

- Higher levels of conservation savings per the Market Achievable Potential as compared to current levels of targeted conservation result in:
 - A reduction in electricity energy demand by about 10%
 - Generally no change in the timing of capacity needs but a reduction in longer-term resource needs
 - Reduction in greenhouse gas emissions by an average of about 0.7 MT per year between 2017 and 2035
 - Average cost for incremental greenhouse gas emission reduction ranging from \$100 - \$200/tonne
 - Increases in surplus energy by an average of about 2 TWh per year starting in 2021
 - Increases in total system costs by an annual average of about \$100M to \$200 M per year, but ranges from an increase of \$600 M per year in the earlier years of 2021 to a decrease of \$300 M per year by 2035
 - Increase in average residential bills by \$11/month and industrial rates by \$1/MWh to \$3/MWh
- Opportunities exist to improve understanding of conservation potential and to enhance the value of this resource:
 - Better targeting and right-sizing conservation could help improve cost-effectiveness and reduce surpluses
 - Better optimizing supply system adaptations to higher levels of conservation could help improve cost-effectiveness and reduce surpluses
 - Opportunities exist to enhance value of conservation by pursuing additional savings through codes/standards and improving allocation/funding of program budgets/expenditures
- The Ministry of Energy could consider reaffirming commitments to current conservation targets in the 2017 LTEP but continue to explore options to best realize higher levels of conservation in view of opportunities for reductions in electricity costs and emissions

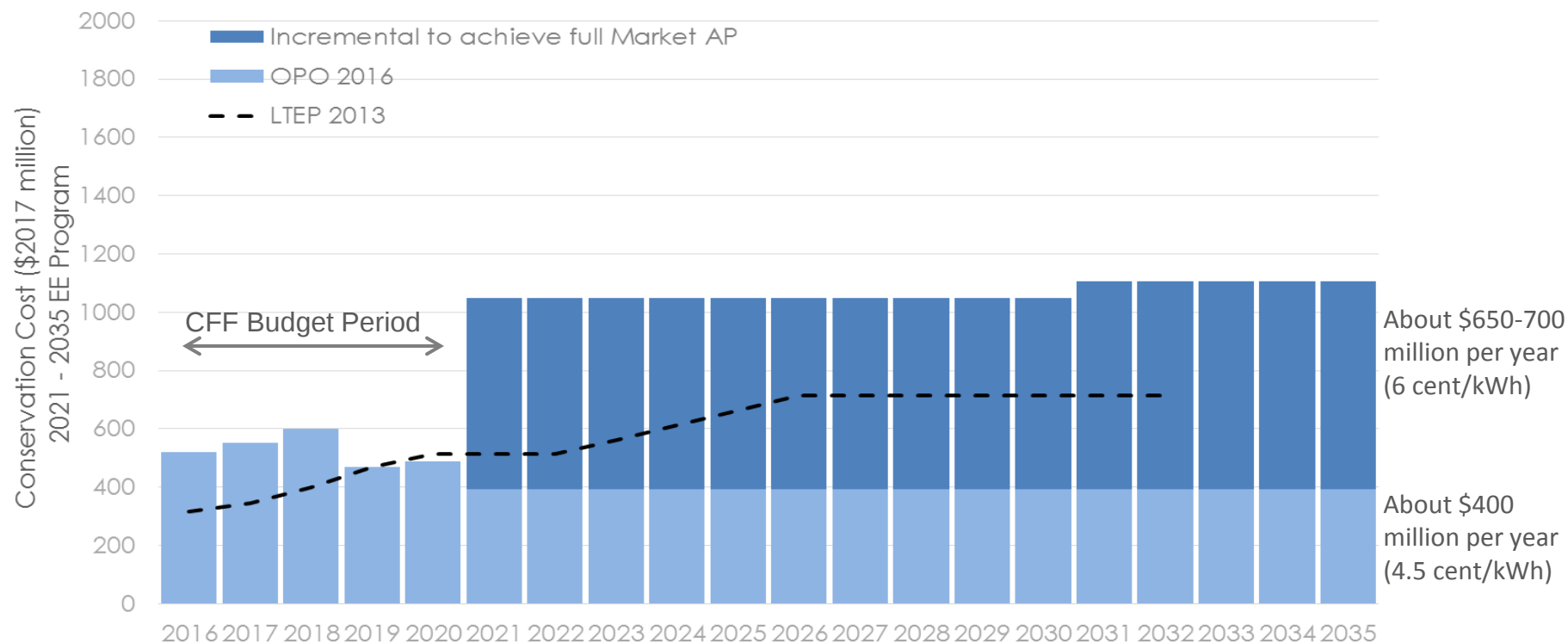
Analysis

The 2013 LTEP established an energy savings target of 30 TWh by 2032 (31 TWh by 2035). The 2016 Market Achievable Potential identified an additional 11 TWh of savings potential (15 TWh by 2035).



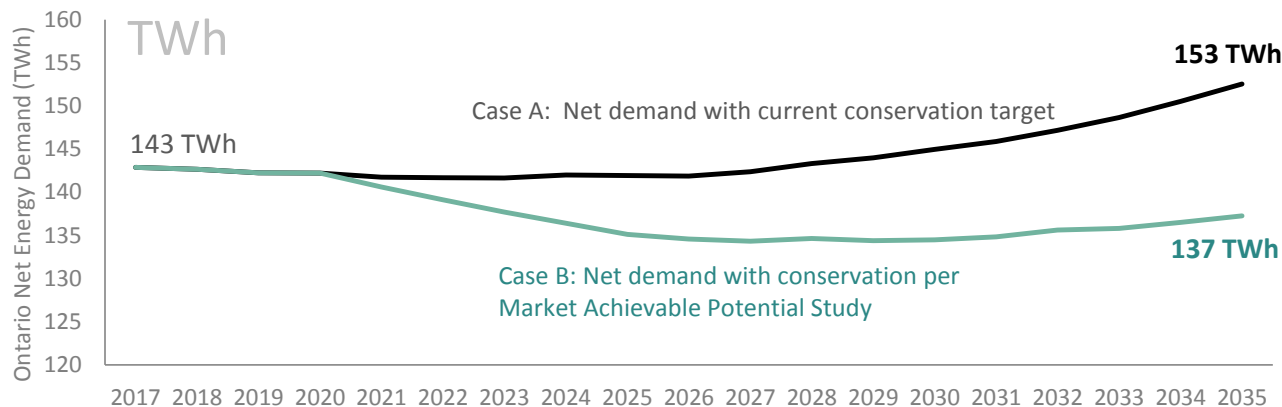
- Savings identified in 2013 LTEP could be achieved through a combination of programs and codes/standards.
- The 2016 Market Achievable Potential study (“MAP”) assumed incremental savings would be achieved through programs only.
- Incremental MAP savings would begin in 2021, following the end of the current CDM Framework.

Achieving conservation savings identified in the Market Achievable Potential study would require an incremental investment of \$650M - \$700M/year, over and above the \$400 M/year of investment needed to achieve current targets.



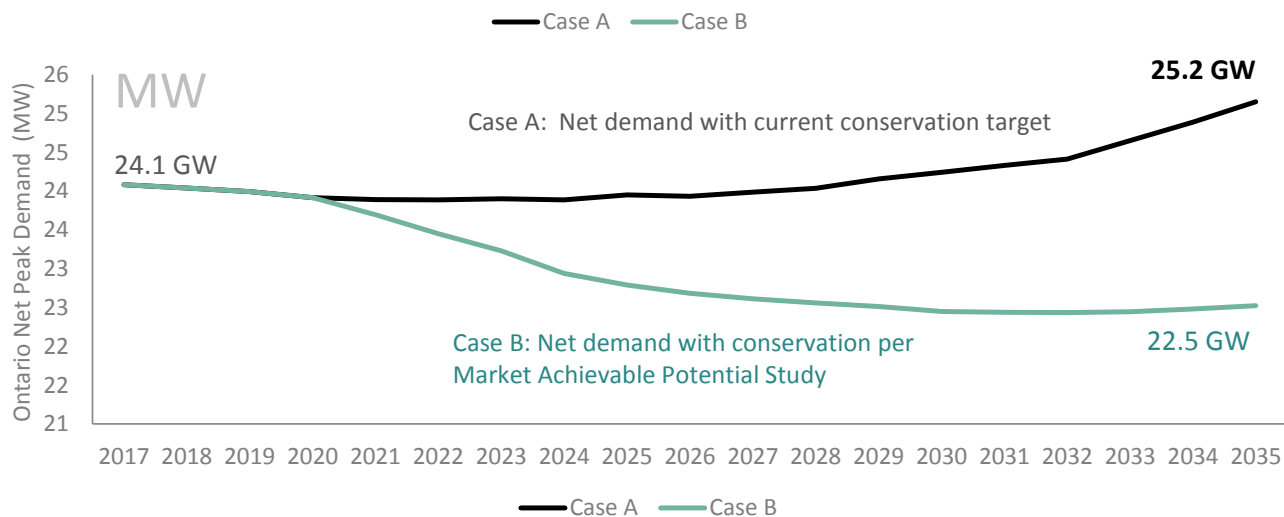
- The total investment for the current target plus the MAP would be about \$1 Billion/year, equivalent to about 5.3 cents/kWh. 2013 LTEP avoided costs range between 5 and 7 cents/kWh
- Estimates are based on available information: 2016 Ontario Planning Outlook (OPO), Market achievable potential (MAP), and Budget constrained achievable potential (BCAP). IESO continues to refine conservation program cost estimates.

By 2035, additional conservation per the Market Achievable Potential study would reduce electricity consumption and peak demand by about 10% compared to demand net of current conservation targets. Electricity demand would be less than what it is today, if the higher conservation amounts were achieved. Ontario would continue to remain a summer peaking jurisdiction in both demand outlooks.



Case A: Consumption increases by 0.4% annually

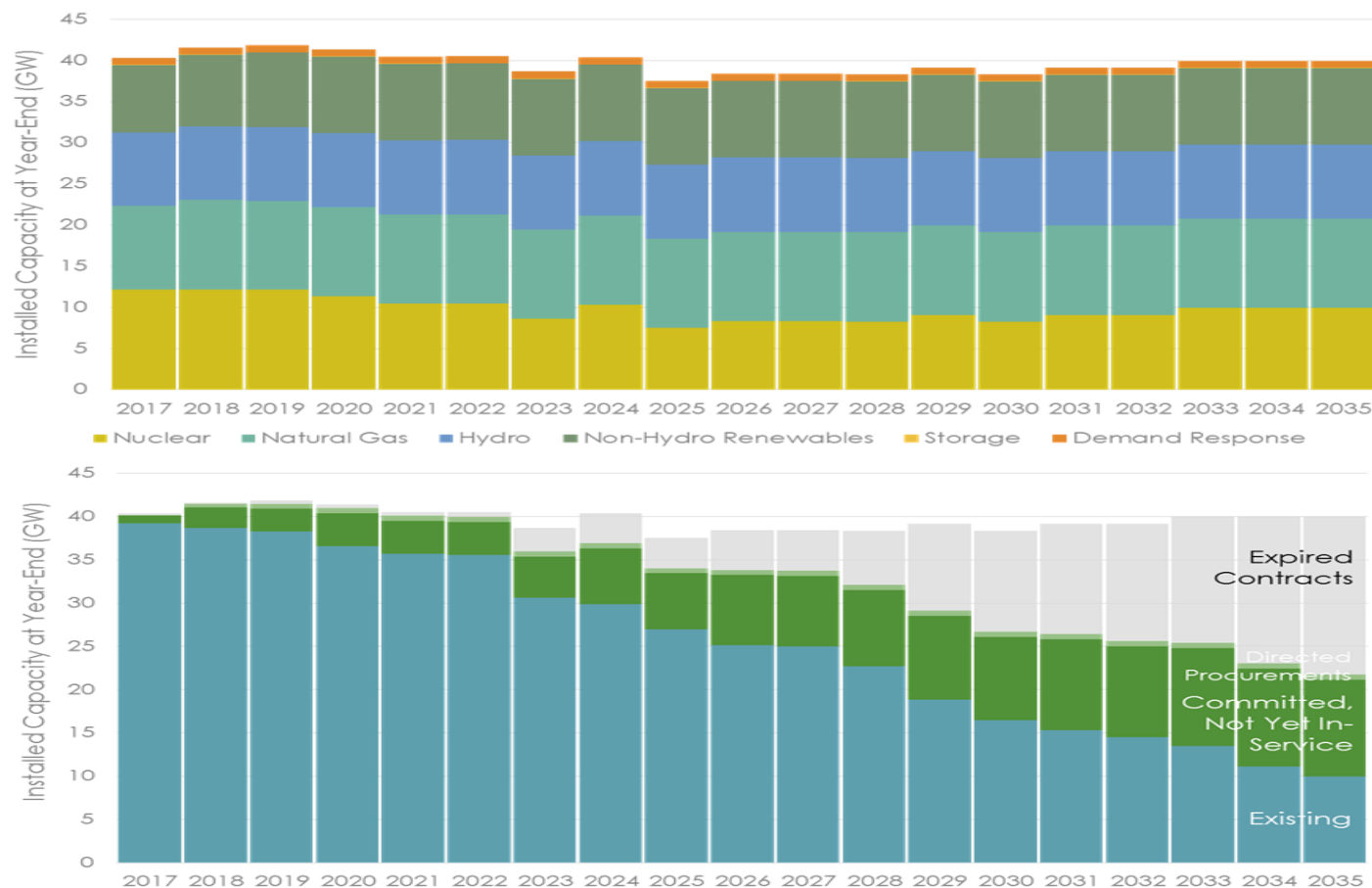
Case B: Consumption decreases by 0.2% annually



Case A: Peak demand increases by 0.2% annually

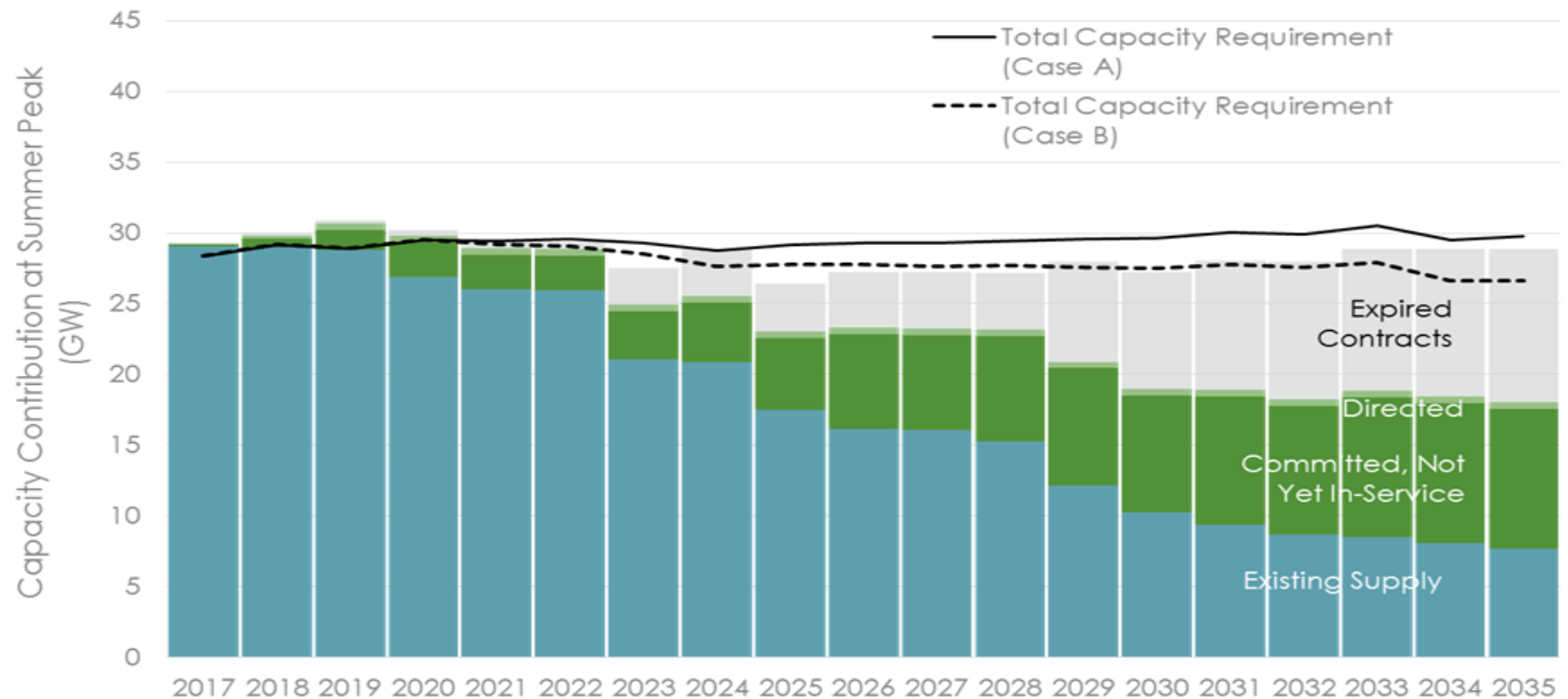
Case B: Peak demand decreases by 0.4% annually

Ontario's installed capacity would be about 40 GW over the planning outlook if all existing and planned resources remained available. Some net supply reductions would take place during the refurbishment period in the mid-2020s. 18 GW of existing supply resources will reach the end of their contract term by 2035. These resources provide opportunities for adaptation should, for example, demand trend lower. Nuclear refurbishment off-ramps provide additional flexibility.



- The 2016 Ontario Planning Outlook was the starting point for the supply forecast and the outlook was updated to reflect the assumptions in accordance with the "Ministry of Energy's 2017 Long-Term Energy Plan Modelling Assumptions, April 6 2017" document, attached in the Appendix.

Provided that existing and planned supply resources continued to operate beyond their contract term, Ontario would face capacity deficits in some years and surpluses in other years, depending on the demand outlook. Additional resources would be required to address projected deficits, fewer resources would be required under conditions of capacity surplus.

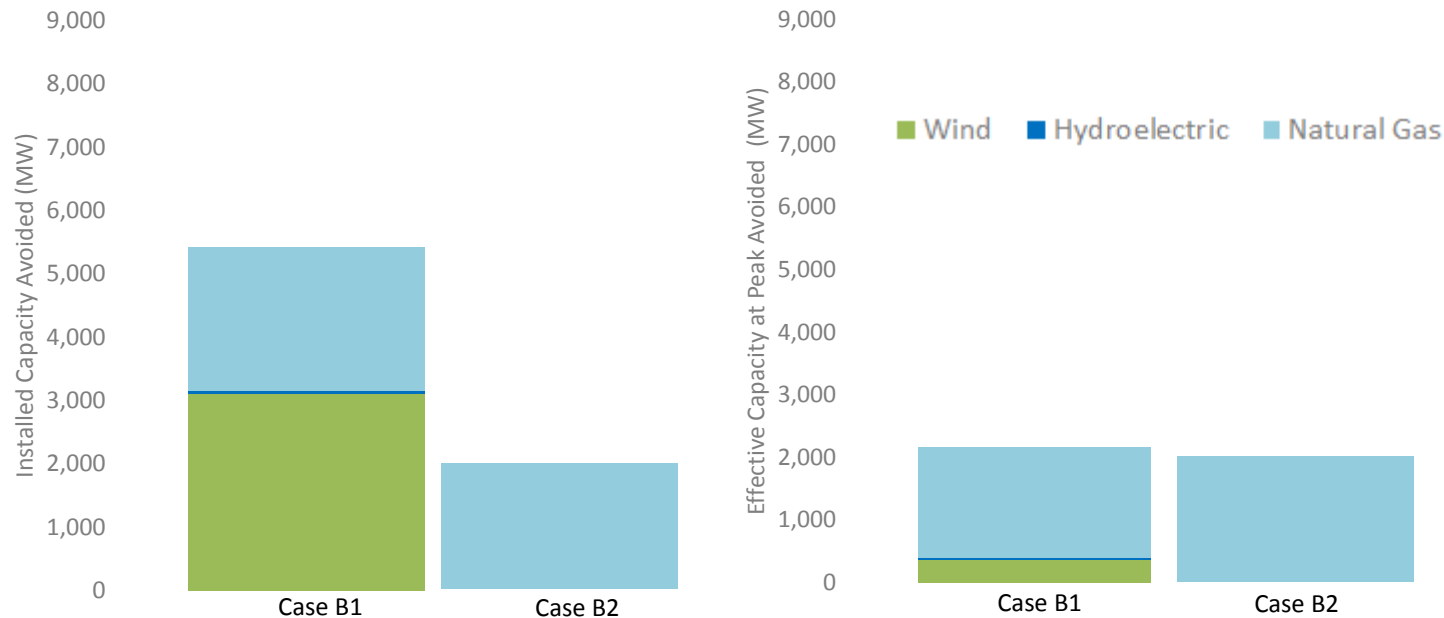


The timing of capacity needs would be generally similar between the two net demand outlooks (i.e. needs would emerge in the early 2020's). The overall need for additional capacity would be lower under the full market achievable potential outlook, in which existing resources would more than meet requirements in some years (i.e. there would be capacity surpluses if no adaptations were taken).



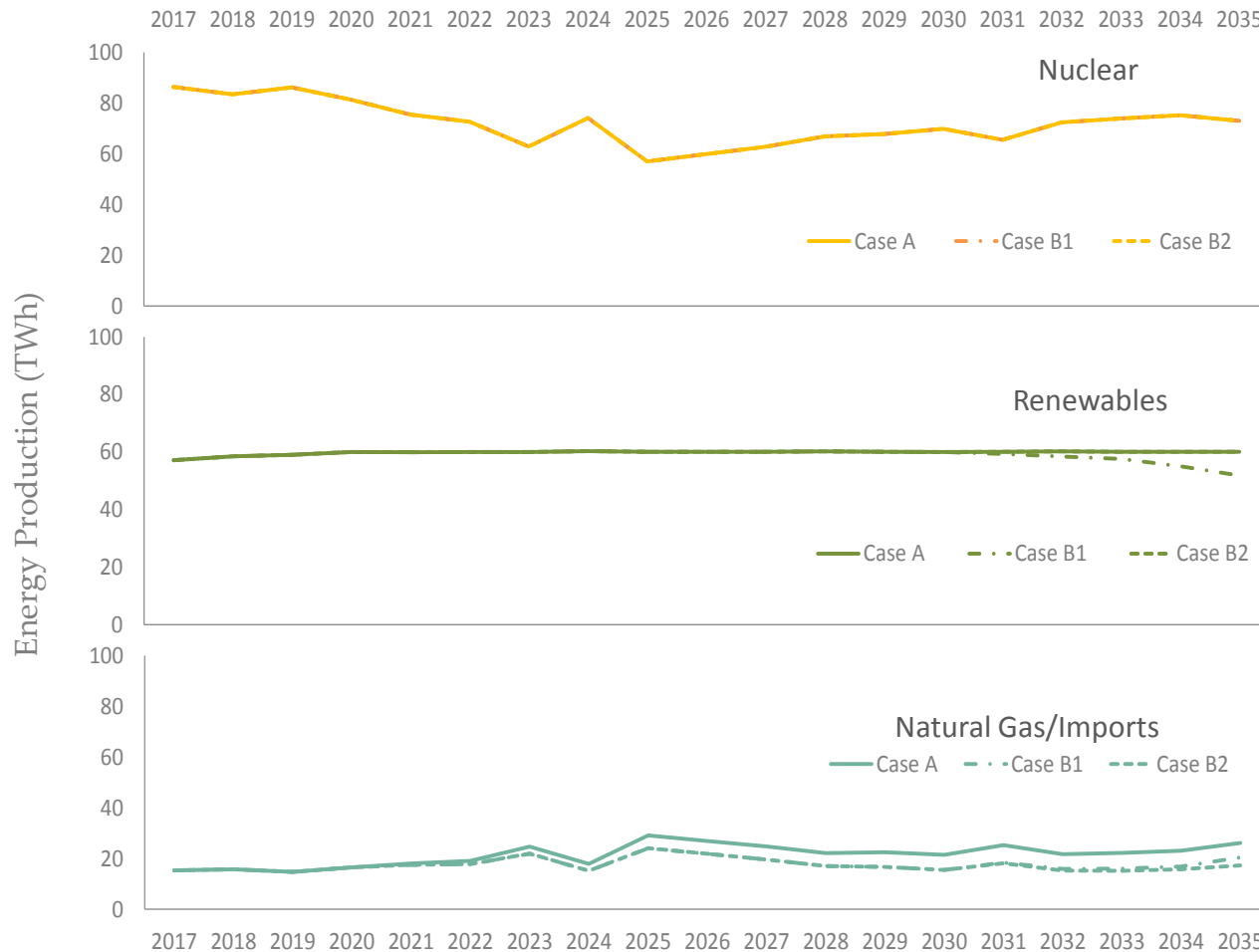
- **Case A:** Ontario would require about 2 GW of additional capacity throughout the 2020s, declining to about 1 GW following the return to service of all refurbished nuclear units
- **Case B:** Ontario would require between 0.5 GW and 1 GW between 2023 - 2028 . By 2031 and onwards, capacity surpluses of up to 2 GW would need to be addressed

The IESO considered one resource mix to meet the Case A demand outlook, and two indicative resource mixes to meet the Case B demand outlook, which features more conservation. Resource adaptations in the outlook with more conservation are described below.

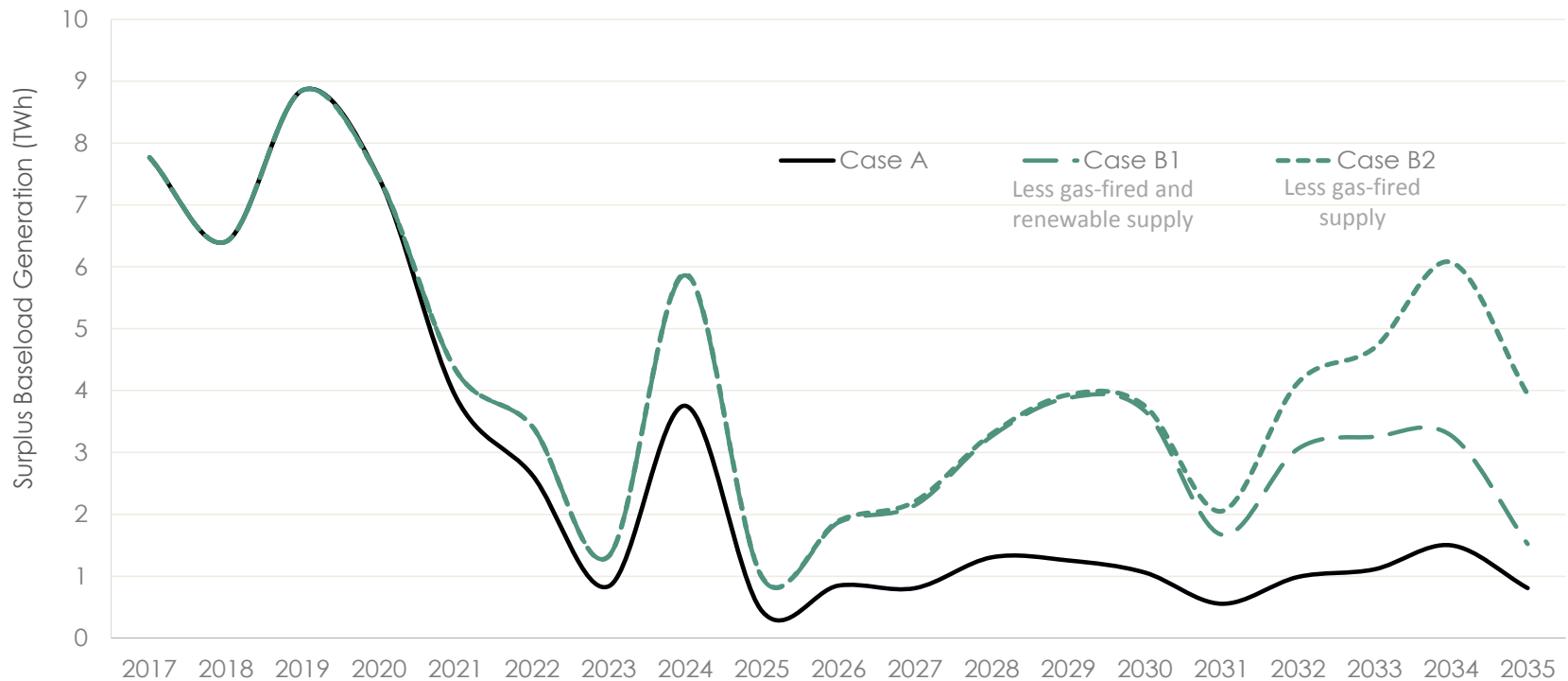


- **Case A:** Shortfalls starting in the 2020s would be met by gas for modelling purposes
- **Case B:** Where necessary, shortfalls would be met by gas for modelling purpose. To the extent that additional conservation reduced the need for supply resources, investments in supply resources were scaled back from the base case. The IESO looked at two supply mix options to reduce supply surpluses in the higher conservation case:
 - **Case B1:** Aims to lower surplus energy by not reacquiring a combination of some existing renewables and some existing gas-fired generation, that is, about 3,100 MW wind, 100 MW hydro, and 2,300 MW gas-fired generation installed capacity was removed from service by 2035.
 - **Case B2:** Aims to lower GHG emissions by not reacquiring some existing capacity from gas-fired generation, that is, about 2,100 MW of gas-fired generation installed capacity was removed from service by 2035.

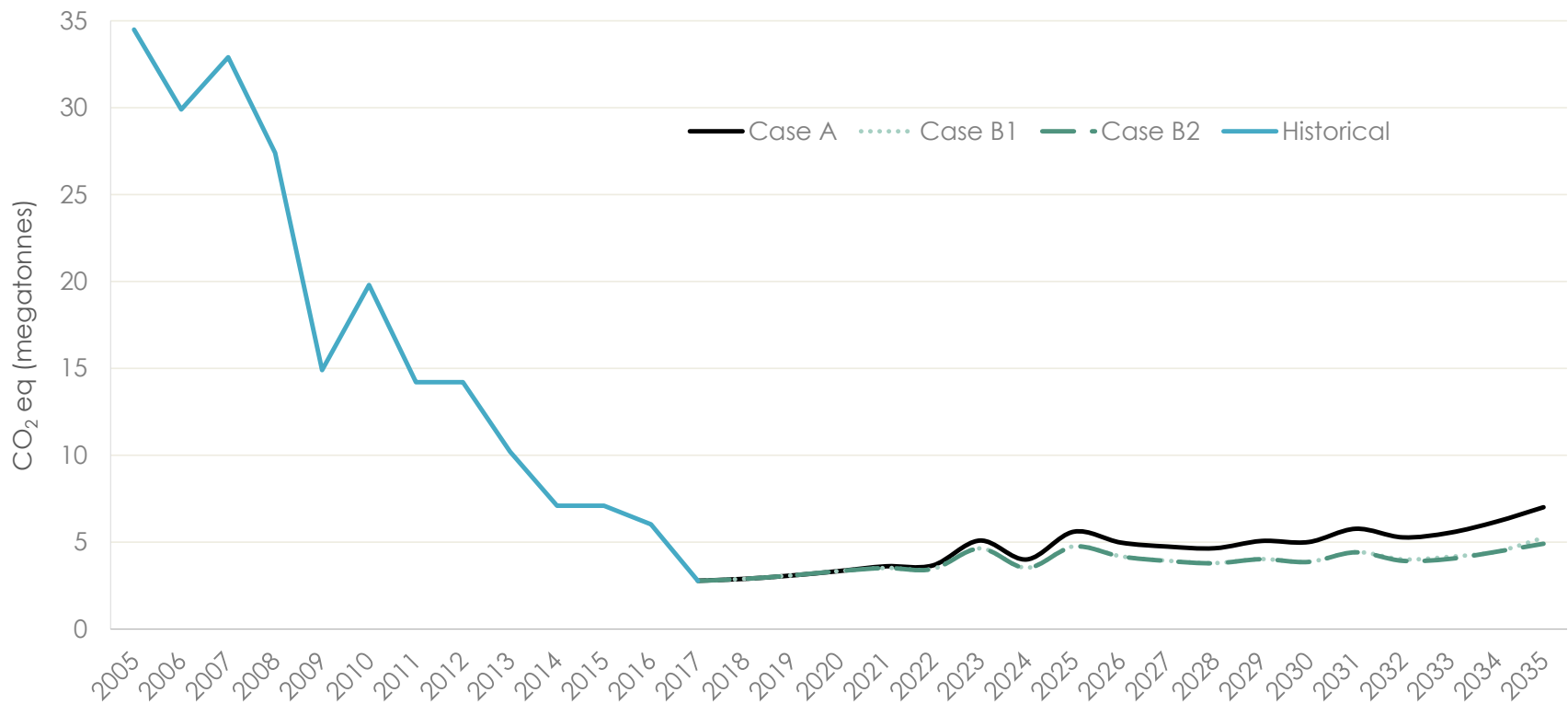
Compared to Case A which maintains current conservation targets, the higher conservation Cases B1 and B2 see a reduction of about 5-8 TWh of energy production from gas-fired generation and reduced imports, primarily in 2021 and onwards. In Case B1, renewable energy production decreases by 8 TWh by 2035. There is no change in nuclear production across the conservation outlooks.



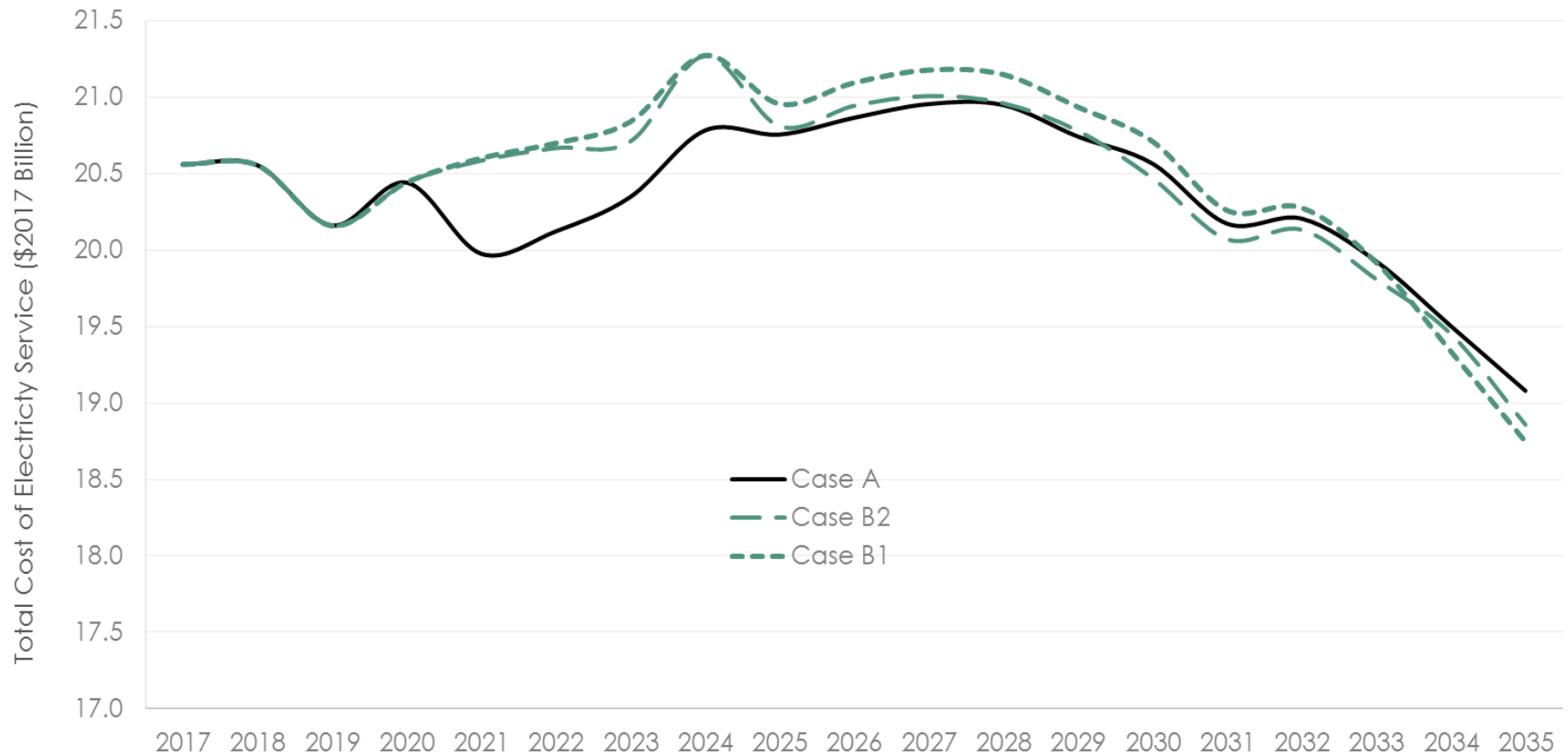
Assuming existing resources continue to operate and planned resources enter service, surplus energy would continue its declining trend over the next few years, driven by nuclear unit retirements and refurbishments. Surplus energy would begin to increase in the mid 2020s with incremental conservation. In Case B2, where only gas-fired generation capacity is removed, SBG would increase to 4-6 TWh. Some of this increase is tempered in Case B1 where both renewables and gas are removed.



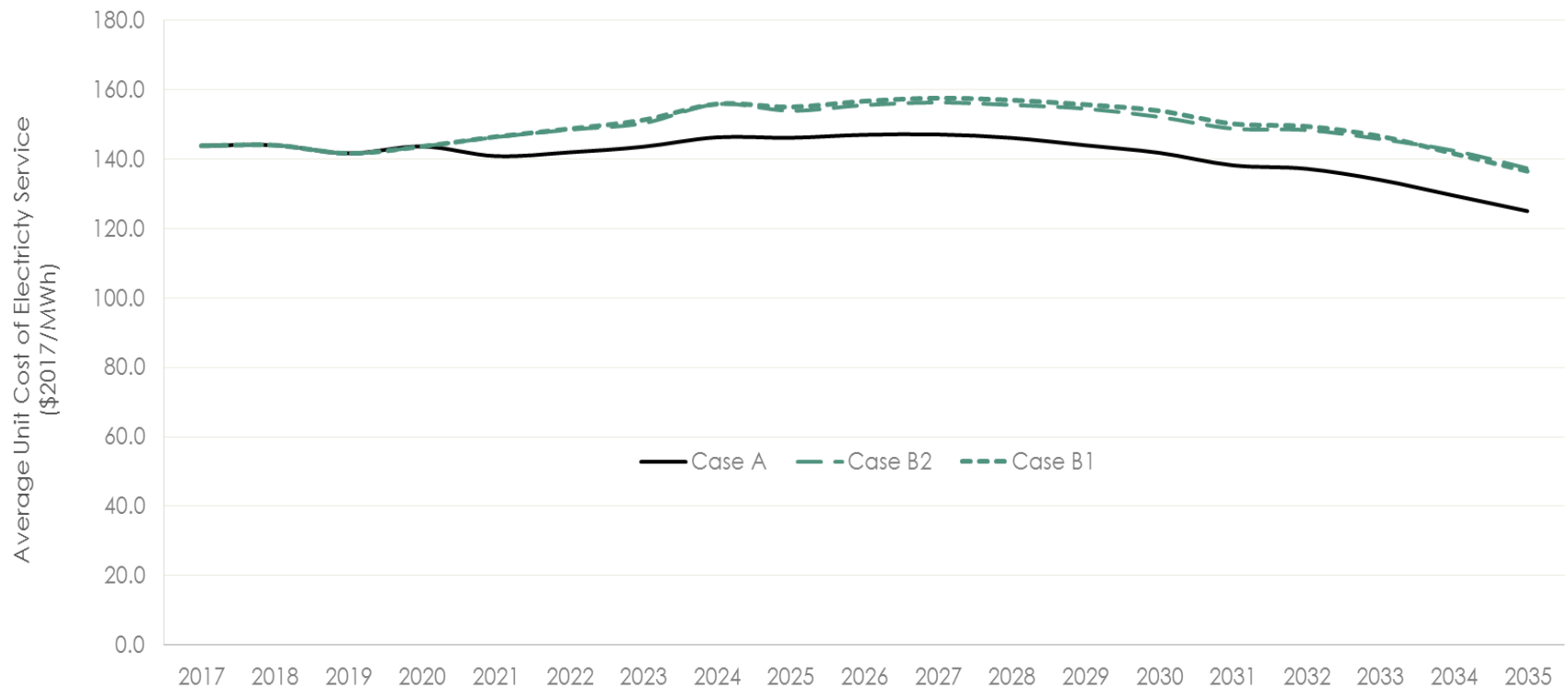
Under the outlooks considered, carbon dioxide emissions by 2035 would remain at levels comparable to those seen in recent years. Outlooks with more conservation would see lower levels of carbon dioxide emissions, by an average of about 0.7 MT per year: this is premised on the assumption that incremental conservation is achieved through measures that do not emit GHGs (such as CHP facilities). The GHG abatement costs associated with higher levels of conservation ranges from \$100 - \$200/tonne. As context, under the cap and trade program, the carbon price ranges from \$18/tonne today to \$40/tonne by 2035, averaging \$30/tonne throughout the planning period.



The total cost of electricity service is higher in the higher conservation cases between 2021 and 2030, as the incremental cost of conservation exceeds the avoided cost of supply resources. In the later years, the total cost of electricity service in the higher conservation case is lower than Case A, as the incremental conservation cost is lower than the avoided cost of supply resources.

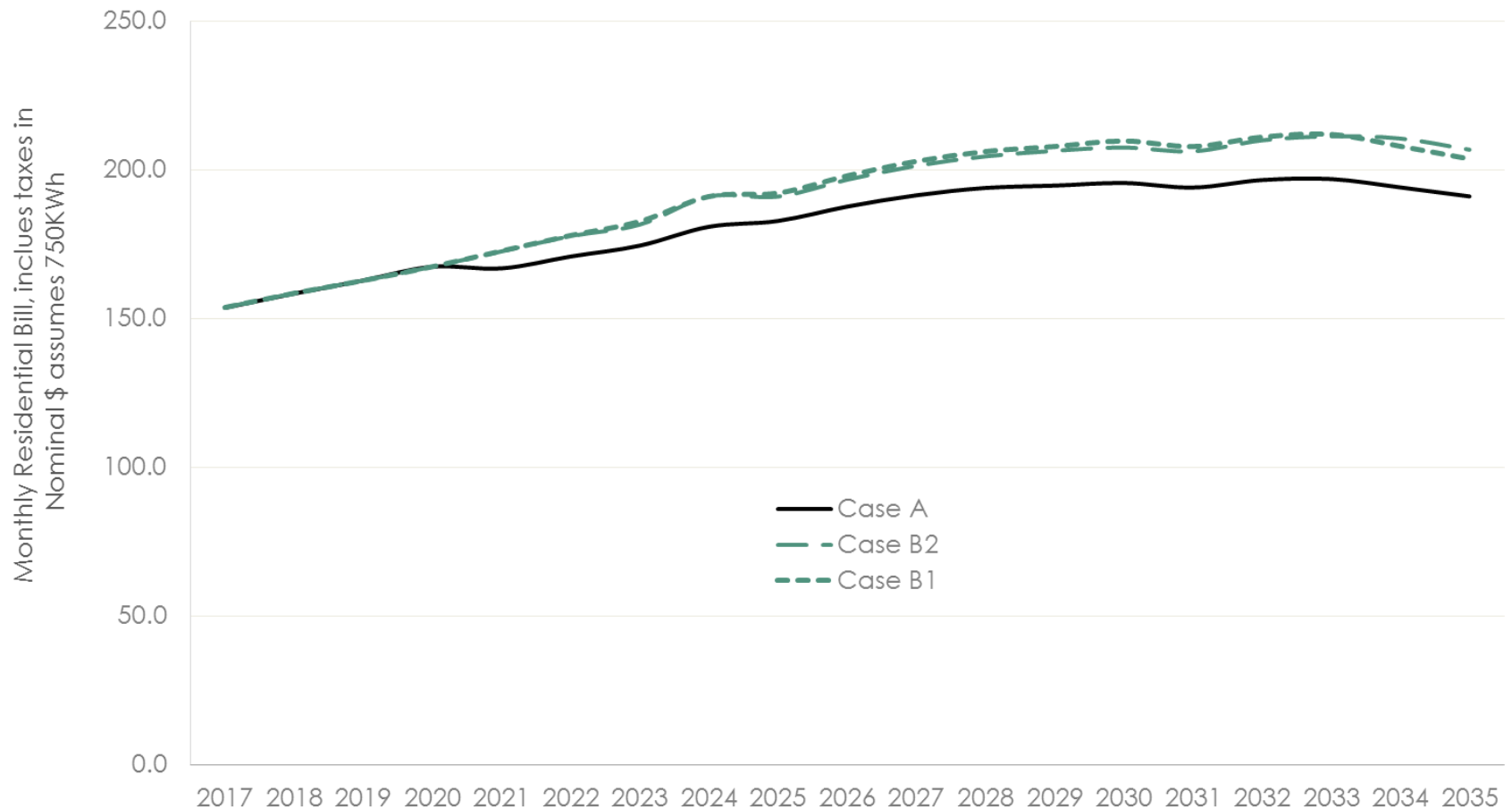


Although the total cost of electricity service is lower towards the end of the planning period in higher conservation Cases B1 and B2 as compared to Case A, the average unit costs for Case B1 and B2 are higher as the volume declines at a faster rate than the cost reduction.



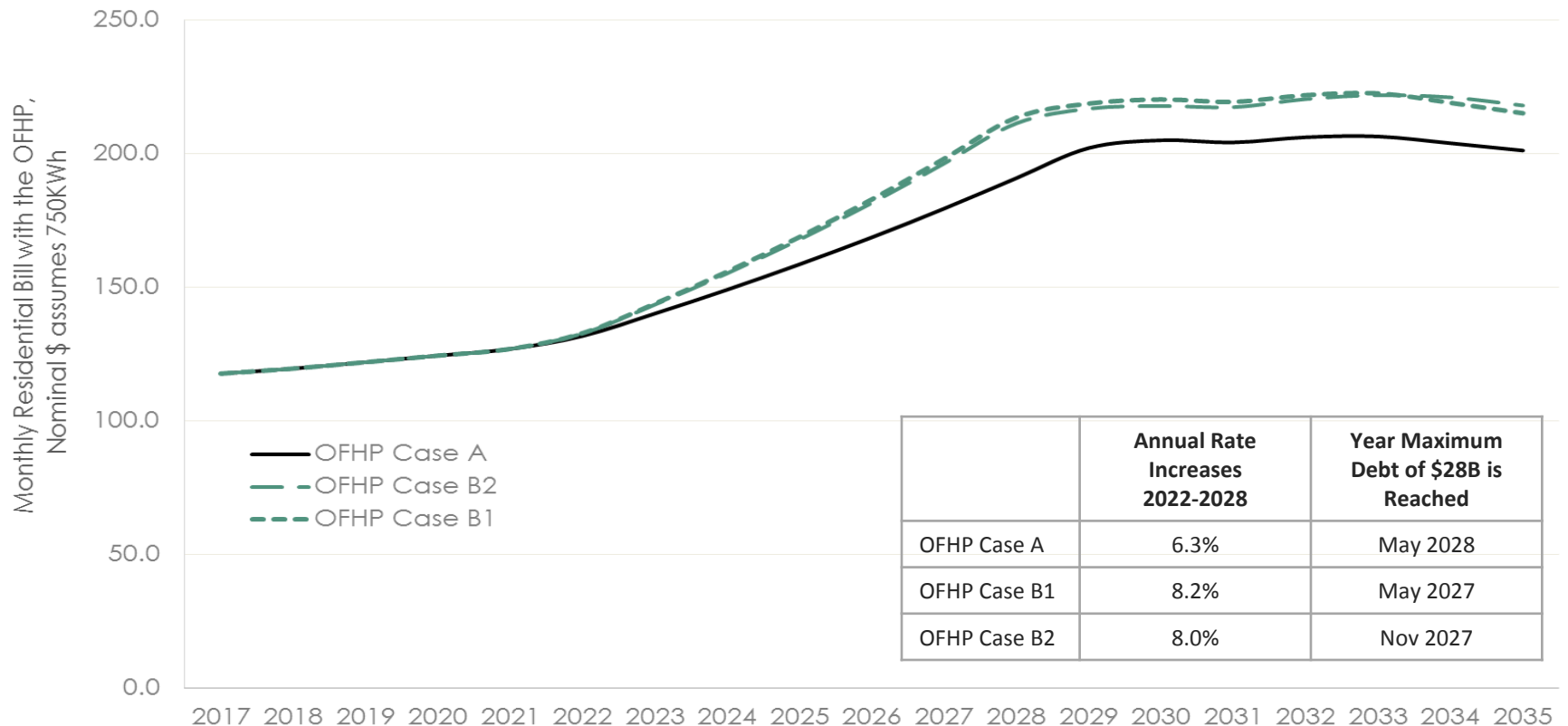
Residential monthly bill without the Ontario Fair Hydro Plan (OFHP) or 8% rebate

Higher conservation cases result in a higher monthly residential bill, by an average of about \$11/month in each year between 2021 and 2035. Although the total costs of electricity for the higher conservation Cases B1 and B2 are lower in the later part of the outlook compared to Case A, the lower demand will drive the unit cost upwards and generate a higher monthly bill.

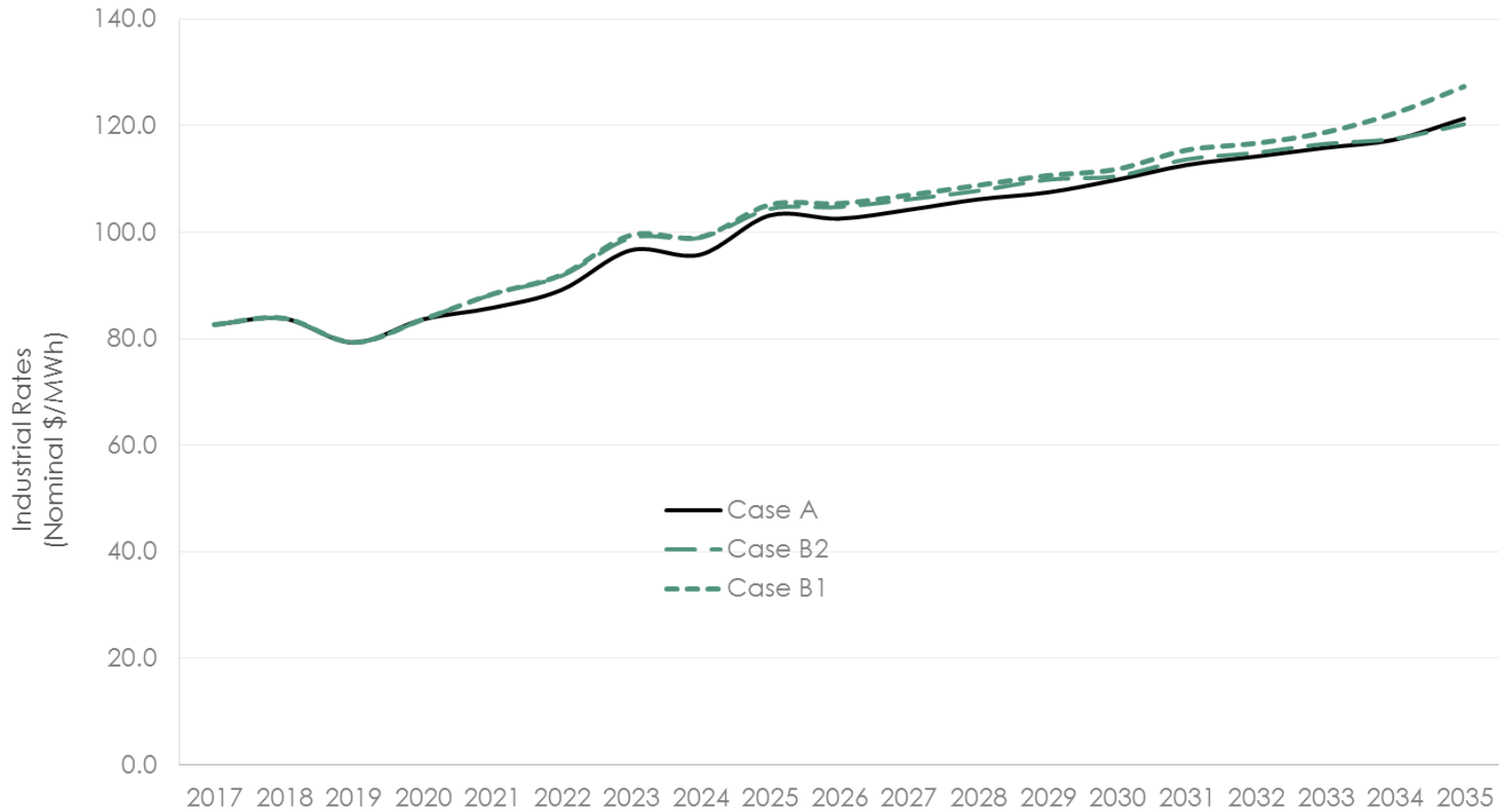


Residential monthly bill with the Ontario Fair Hydro Plan (OFHP)

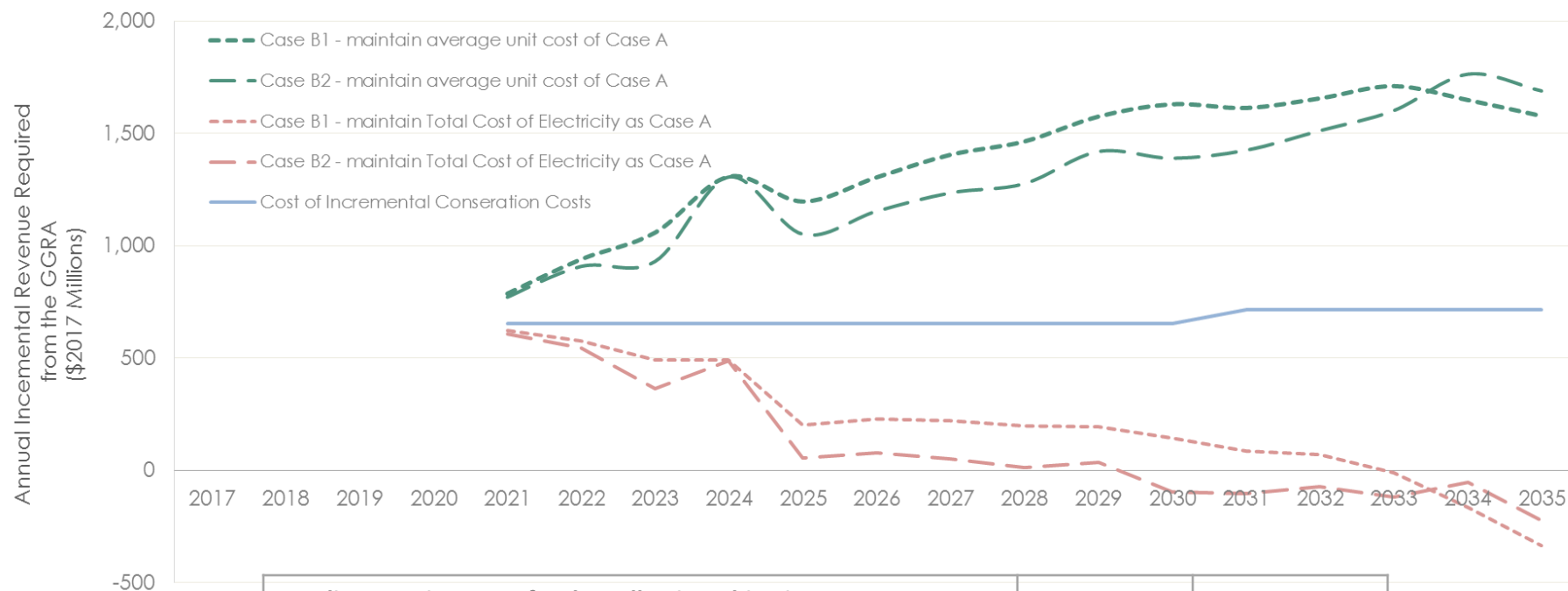
Higher conservation cases result in a higher monthly residential bill, by an average of about \$12/month in each year between 2021 and 2035. Between 2022 and 2028, higher conservation cases see a rate increase of 8% per year while Case A which reflects current conservation targets see a rate increase of about 6% per year. In addition, the \$28 billion max debt is reached sooner in the higher conservation cases.



Industrial rates for the higher conservation Cases B1 and B2 are about \$1 to \$3/MWh higher than Case A, which reflects current conservation targets



To mitigate increases in electricity costs associated with higher conservation savings, funding (such as from the GGRA) of between \$800 M/year in 2021 and \$1.7 B/year by 2035 would be required. The amount of funding required would vary, depending on the desired objective. Some examples of objectives and associated funding requirements are depicted below.



Funding Requirements for the Following Objectives	2021	2035
Maintain the same average unit cost of electricity service as Case A	\$800 M/year	\$1,700 M/year
Maintain the same total cost of electricity service as Case A	\$640 M/year	-\$340 M/year
Cover incremental cost of achieving higher conservation savings only	\$655 M/year	\$714 M/year

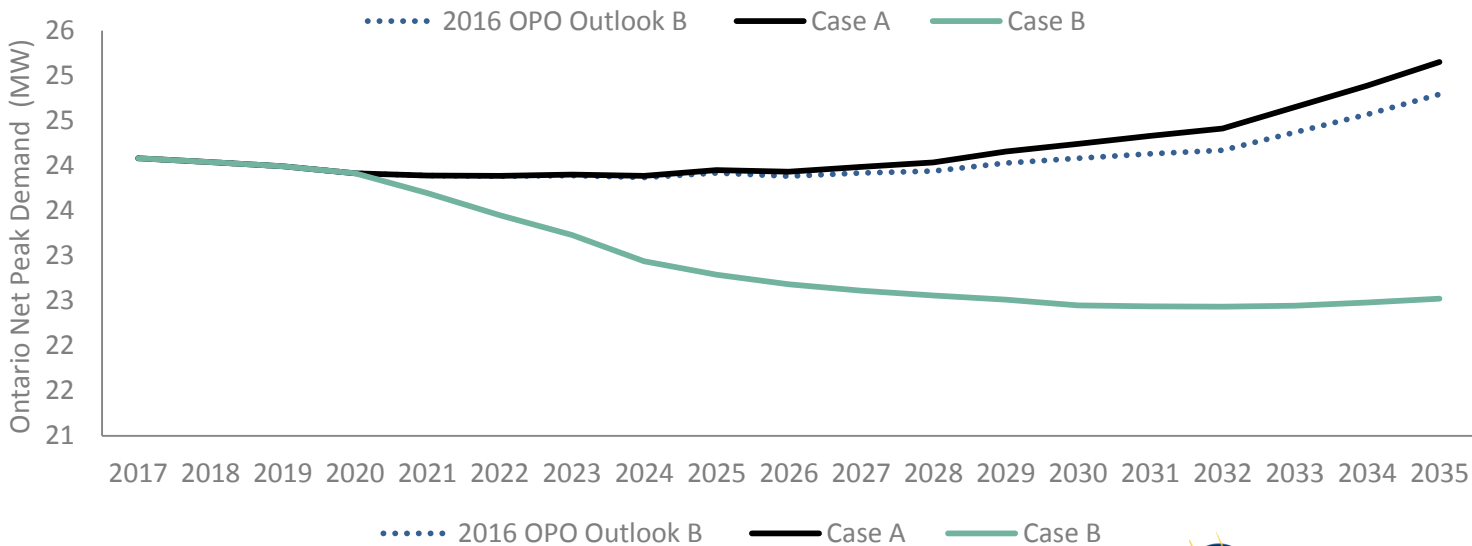
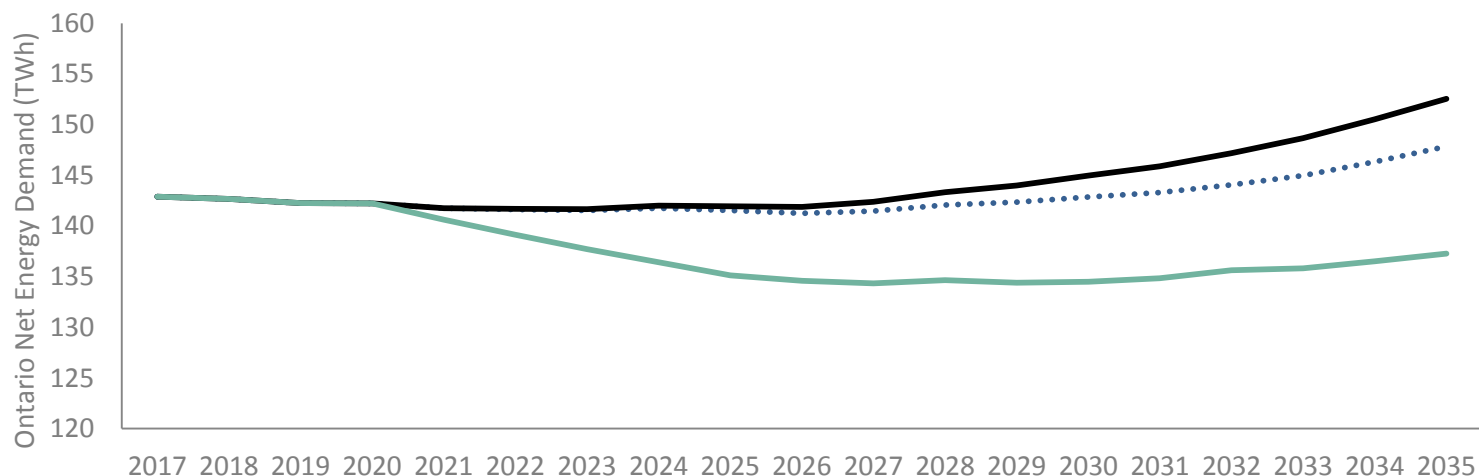
- The above analysis does not consider funding allocation amongst customer classes to ensure that residential bills and industrial rates remain the same as Case A

Further analysis is required to improve our understanding of conservation opportunities, costs, environmental performance, and integration with supply mix options. The Ministry of Energy could consider reaffirming commitments to current conservation targets in the 2017 LTEP, while committing to explore options to maximize the value of conservation. The following are areas for immediate and ongoing attention; they could be explored in the implementation plan and beyond.

- Opportunities exist to better understand conservation program savings and identify how best to capture their value:
 - As additional conservation is pursued, costs to achieve savings likely to evolve. Understanding conservation cost curves can help identify what cost-effective achievable potential exists across the full spectrum of measures
 - Currently assume that all incremental savings are achieved through conservation programs. Opportunities may exist to pursue savings through codes and standards
 - Opportunities may exist to improve how program budgets/expenditures are allocated and funded over time to improve cost-effectiveness
 - Opportunities exist to “right size” and better target conservation savings to maximize the value this resource provides
- Opportunities exist to further identify and analyze supply responses that would provide most value in conjunction with higher levels of conservation:
 - The supply mix portfolios developed for the avoided supply cases (B1 and B2) provide an indicative illustration of the implications of avoiding certain resources. Avoiding other types of resources or in different amounts would yield different cost implications.
 - Operability issues need to be considered in cases with reduced gas supply

Appendix

Demand Outlooks: 31 TWh Conservation case and 46 TWh Conservation case relative to the 2016 OPO Outlook B

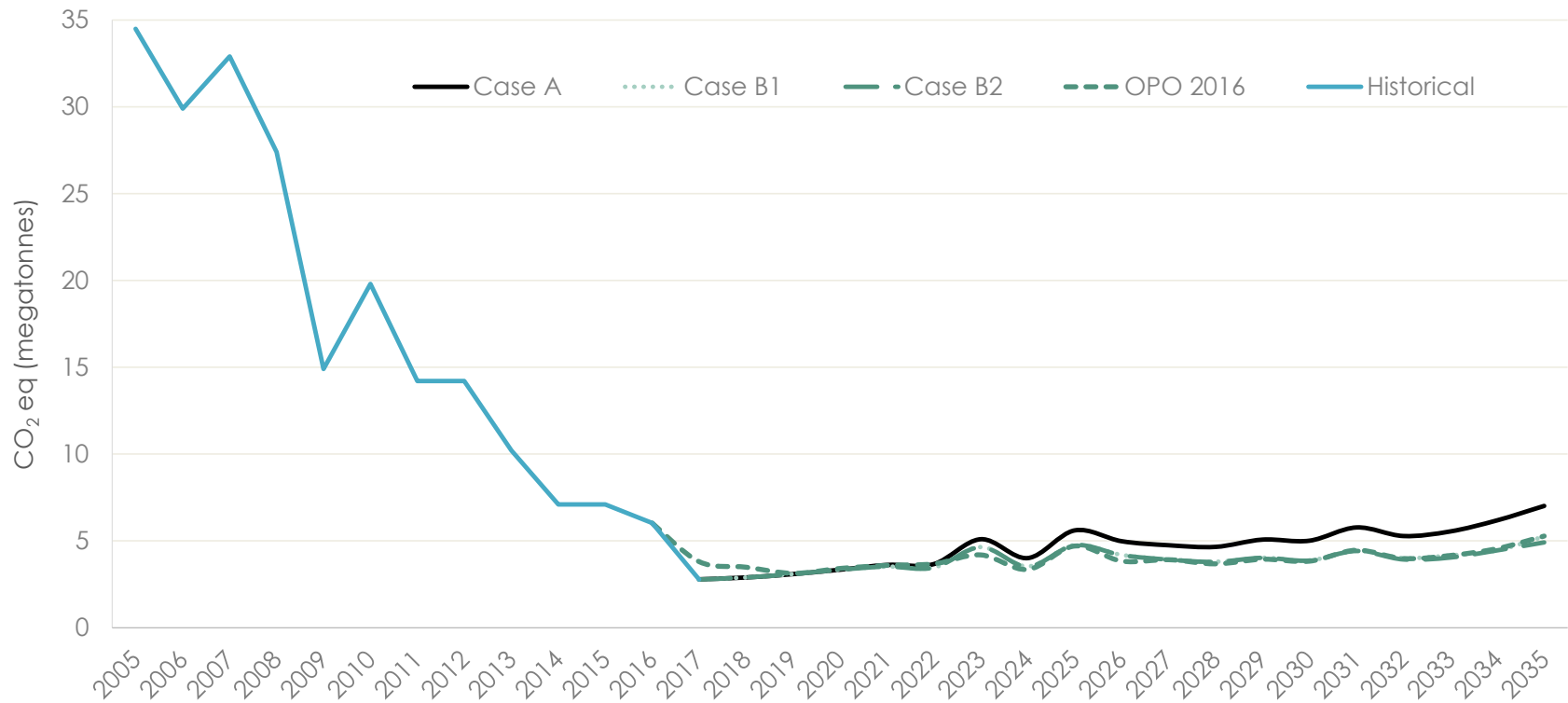


Supply Outlooks: 31 TWh Conservation case and 46 TWh Conservation case relative to the 2016 OPO Outlook B

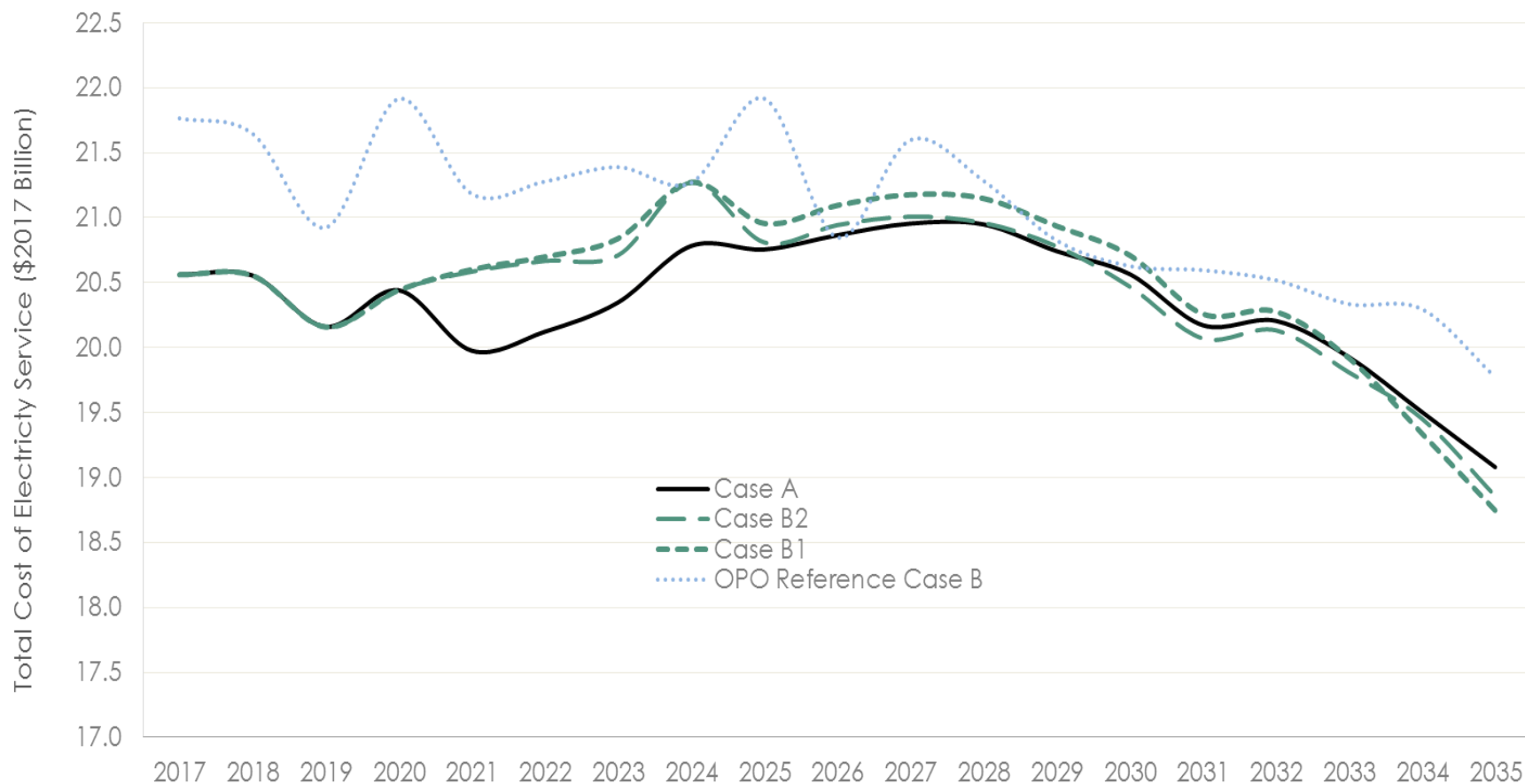
		Installed Capacity Year End 2035 (GW)
2016 Ontario Planning Outlook		43
Reductions	Projected compared to contracted LRP 1	-0.2
	Incremental renewable capacity to meet targets	-0.8
	Incremental DR to meet targets	-0.5
	Available NUG capacity	-0.4
	LRP II procurement suspension	-1
	Elimination of microFIT 5 and 6	-0.1
	EFW procurement suspension	-0.1
Additions	Capacity changes to supply mix	0.3
2017 Long-Term Energy Plan		40

Totals may not add up due to rounding

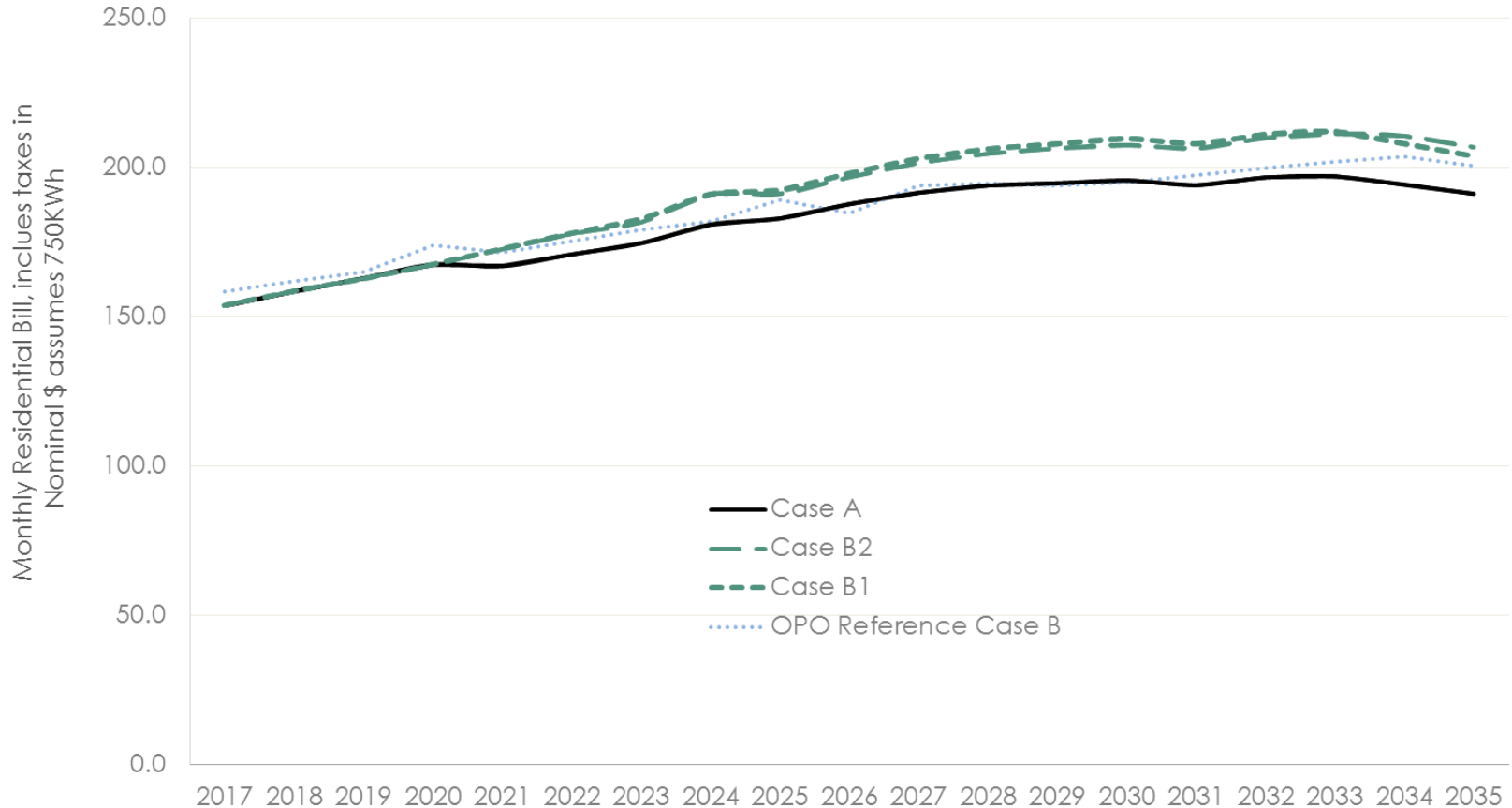
Emissions Outlooks: 31 TWh Conservation case and 46 TWh Conservation case relative to the 2016 OPO Outlook B



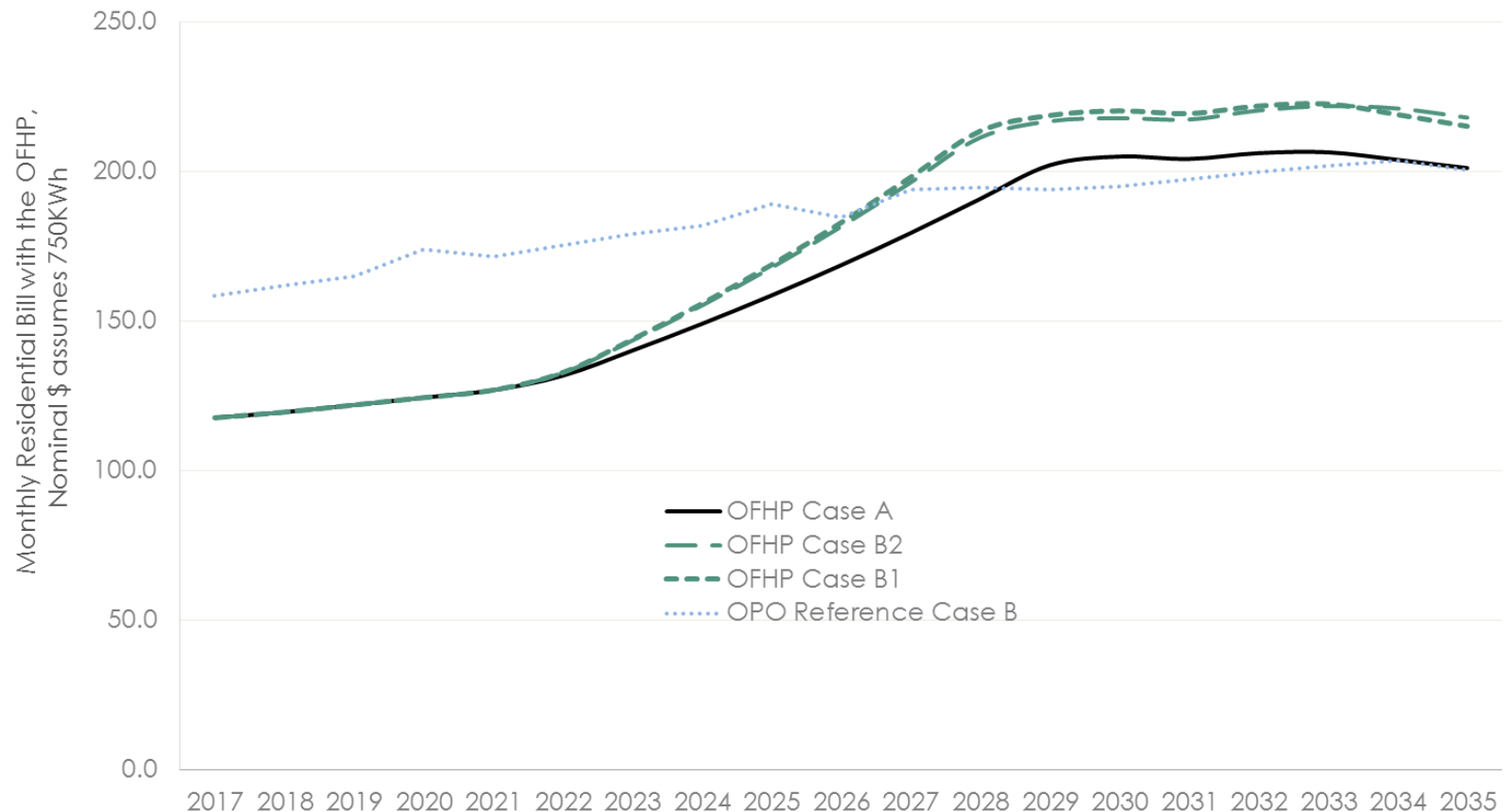
Total Cost Outlooks: 31 TWh Conservation case and 46 TWh Conservation case relative to the 2016 OPO Outlook B indicates the overall lower costs in the near term as the updated cases assume the smoothed OPG nuclear rates. For the 2029 to 2035 period, the updated forecasts are lower than the OPO due to lower repowering costs for expired contracts recognizing the lower levels of capital required for existing assets such as wind and solar.



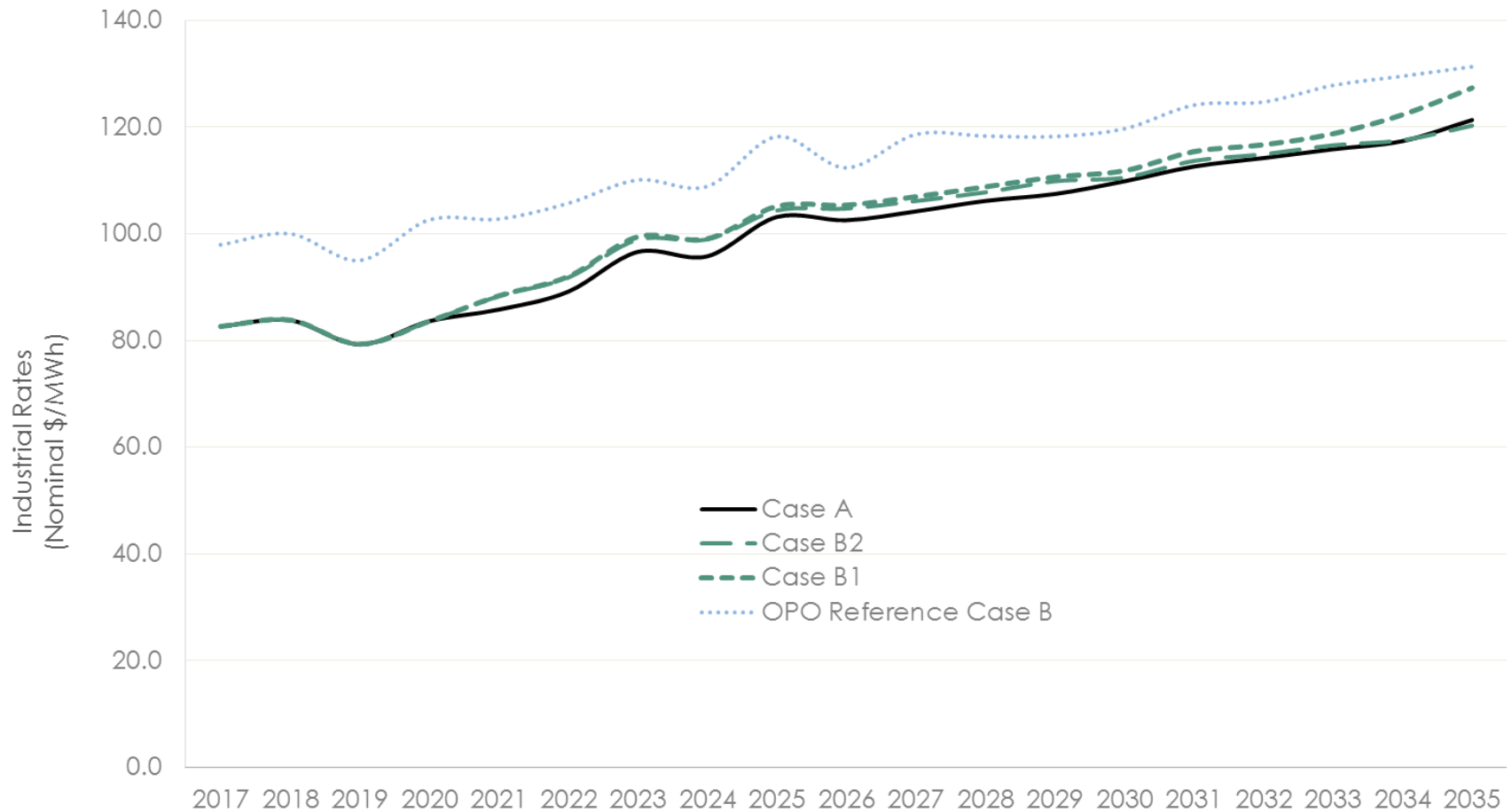
Average Residential Bills Outlooks: 31 TWh Conservation case and 46 TWh Conservation case relative to the 2016 OPO Outlook B indicates that the Case A is below the OPO, while the Conservation cases are above the OPO projection



Average Residential Bills Outlooks: 31 TWh Conservation case and 46 TWh Conservation cases with the OFHP relative to the 2016 OPO Outlook B, indicates the OFHP monthly bills will exceed the OPO forecast after 2028 when repayment of the \$28 Billion debt is required



Industrial Rates Outlooks: 31 TWh Conservation case and 46 TWh Conservation case relative to the 2016 OPO Outlook B indicates that all the updated cases are below the OPO outlook



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MINISTRY OF ENERGY'S 2017 LONG-TERM ENERGY PLAN MODELLING ASSUMPTIONS

This document summarizes the modelling assumptions for the reference outlook to inform the Ministry of Energy's 2017 Long-Term Energy Plan ("2017 LTEP").

The document reflects the IESO's understanding of the assumptions to be assumed for the 2017 LTEP based on IESO/ENERGY discussions between February and April 2017 and comments received from ENERGY staff on April 1, 2017.

In order to proceed with analytics, the IESO is seeking Ministry sign off on this document no later than Friday April 7, 2017

Section 1 – Assumptions

Outlook Timeframe

- The IESO will model the LTEP for the period 2017 to 2035 to align with the timeframe presented in the 2016 Ontario Planning Outlook (OPO).

Demand

- It is the IESO's understanding that ENERGY's preference is to consider a single demand outlook as the reference forecast. The reference demand forecast for the 2017 LTEP will be OPO Outlook B with the addition of electric vehicle (EV) demand assumptions per Outlook D (i.e., 2.4 million EVs by 2035).
- It is the IESO's understanding that ENERGY's preference is to consider a range of sensitivities around the reference demand forecast, with the range of sensitivity starting in 2026. Therefore, two sensitivities will be developed around the reference demand forecast to illustrate higher and lower ranges beginning in 2026:
 - The lower range will have similar assumptions to OPO Outlook A.
 - The higher range will assume higher household growth, higher new square footage growth in various commercial buildings, and greater growth in the industrial sector.
- Detailed energy/costing analysis will not be performed for the low and high demand sensitivities. Instead, their implications may be described qualitatively.

Conservation and Demand Response

- The 2013 LTEP targets 30 TWh of energy efficiency by 2032 and assumes that the near term target set in the Conservation First Framework and Industrial Accelerator Program of 8.7 TWh will be achieved by 2020.
- The IESO understands that ENERGY is seeking analysis on modeling a higher than 2013 LTEP conservation target within the OPO Outlook B. Based on discussions with the ADM and Michael Lyle, the IESO will perform analysis assuming 1) the 2013 LTEP conservation targets and 2) a higher conservation target.

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- The 2013 LTEP included a Demand Response target which includes Time-of-Use (TOU), Industrial Conservation Initiative (ICI) and demand response (DR) auction combined to meet 10% of peak demand by 2025. It is the IESO's understanding that ENERGY requests to eliminate the demand response target that was established in 2013 LTEP for the 2017 LTEP base case. The IESO will assume for the 2017 LTEP base case that TOU and ICI will continue to persist throughout the planning horizon and any DR currently procured through the DR auction would continue to be available in future auctions. Should there be capacity needs moving forward, additional demand response could be procured through the capacity auction.

Supply

- The IESO will assume the nuclear schedule that is consistent with OPO, which reflects OPG's current business plan and the amended Bruce refurbishment agreement:
 - Bruce as per the schedule in the finalized ABPRIA;
 - Pickering continued operations to 2022/2024 (Note from ENERGY: In March 2017, OPG Board approved operation of all six units to 2024 subject to system needs and project economics. As such, the additional two years is considered a supply option/scenario rather than a base case);
 - Darlington as per the finalized refurbishment schedule.
- It is the IESO's understanding that ENERGY does not want to consider operation of all six Pickering units to 2024 as part of the analysis. The IESO will assume Pickering continued operations to 2022/2024 for the base case.
- The IESO will reflect the October 2016 Ontario-Quebec Electricity Trade Agreement.
 - Energy 2.3 TWh per year (2017 to 2022 inclusive) Quebec to Ontario;
 - 500 MW capacity per winter December to March (2016/17 to 2022/23 inclusive) Ontario to Quebec; and
 - 500 MW capacity Quebec to Ontario in return for delivery of 500 MW to Quebec in 2015/16 as part of original capacity swap.
- The IESO will reflect recently contracted new resources e.g. Chaudière Falls Gatineau No.1 and Hull No.2 waterpower contracts.
- The IESO will assume the suspension of Large Renewable Procurement II and Energy From Waste Procurement as a result of the September 2016 direction.
- The IESO will assume FIT 5 and microFIT 2017 are the remaining renewable programs to be procured that are not yet online or contracted.
- The 2013 LTEP set renewable capacity targets of 10.7 GW for non-hydroelectric by 2021 and 9.3 GW for hydroelectric by 2025. The IESO will assume the elimination of hydro and non-hydro renewable targets and that there will be no further renewable procurements beyond FIT 5 and microFIT 2017 in the 2017 LTEP reference outlook.

Costs

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- The IESO will assume natural gas price forecast per the Sproule projection as of February 2017. Further updates to the gas price forecast will lengthen modelling timelines. The IESO will assess a lower and higher gas price forecast for sensitivity.
- The IESO will include new higher contracted price information for existing NUG contracts.
- The IESO will assume carbon cost as the reserve price (i.e., the floor price) projection in the 2017 LTEP base case, and the "updated CA-QC-ON Bloomberg Nov 2016" projection for the sensitivity.
 - Note that the reserve price projection is slightly different from the OPO forecast; it now includes the actual floor price for the March 2017 cap and trade allowance auction as notified in January 2017, and this value is inflated by 5% as per the cap and trade regulations and added an assumed inflation factor of 2%.
 - The "updated CA-QC-ON Bloomberg Nov 2016" projection has been provided to IESO via ENERGY.
 - See Appendix for the carbon price projection values.
- The IESO will assume OPG nuclear rates to be consistent with the revised OPG Rate Smooth received from Tim Christie on March 13, 2017. The IESO will use the OPG nuclear outage data received from Tim Christie on March 10, 2017, and the nuclear production data received from Tim Christie on March 13, 2017. No change to Bruce Power nuclear prices from OPO.
- The IESO will assume OPG hydro rates to be consistent with the data received from Tim Christie on March 23, 2017.
- Upon contract expiry, for modelling purposes, the IESO will assume the assets will continue to be available for the duration of the planning outlook (i.e. similar to Outlook B in OPO). This recognises that the system can benefit from a portion of ongoing value from these assets with some re-investment, rather than requiring complete new build to meet the demand. The results of the "Benefits Case Assessment of the Market Renewal Project" prepared by the Brattle Group indicates that the cost based methodology used in the 2016 OPO would generate slightly lower results than the market based methodology pricing for these assets after contract expiry. The capacity market will be the implementation mechanism that achieves these cost based values for these assets after contract expiry.

For the 2017 LTEP, the following assumptions will be used for costing expired contracts:

	Contract Expiry Cost Assumptions
Natural Gas	The contract information converted to a generic gas plant with re-investment proportions assumptions per Hatch Report.
Wind	Based on LRP I, with a discounted capital cost re-investment assumption for end of life components and accounting for on-going value from the balance of the asset. This cost assumption is lower than that used in 2016 OPO.
Solar	Based on LRP I, except that future investments for end of life components that need to be replaced decline in cost to recognise technological improvements. This cost assumption is lower than that used in 2016 OPO.

Industrial Rates and Residential Bills

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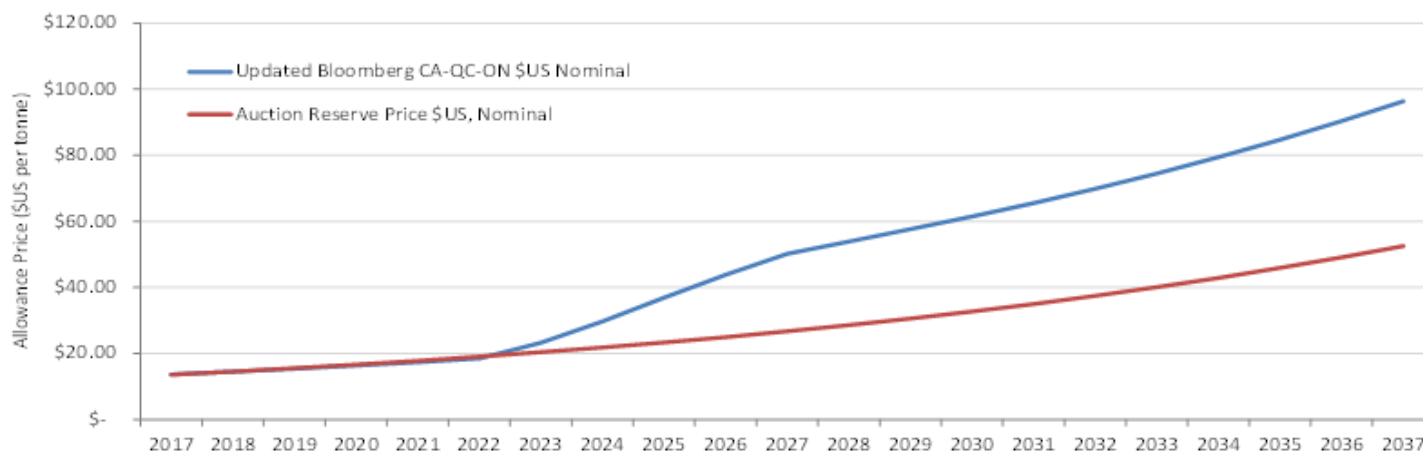
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- The industrial rates and residential bill impacts will not reflect recycling of proceeds from the Cap and Trade program.
- The residential bills will be the base bills, prior to the application of the Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan.
- Application of the Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan to the residential bills will require specific guidance and direction from ENERGY.

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Appendix Carbon price projection

															Assume same rate of increase as that observed from 2029 to 203						
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037
Updated CA-QC-ON (\$US, Nominal) - Bloomberg Nov 2016 (Provided by ENERGY)	\$13.62	\$14.47	\$15.39	\$16.34	\$17.37	\$18.47	\$23.21	\$29.67	\$36.85	\$43.85	\$50.13	\$53.87	\$57.60	\$61.43	\$65.50	\$69.85	\$74.49	\$79.44	\$84.71	\$90.34	\$ 96.33
Auction Reserve Price (aka Floor Price) (\$US, Nominal) - Derived from Feb 2017 Auction Reserve Price, which is inflated by 5% plus inflation each year. Inflation assumed to be 2%. Reserve price is determined prior to each auction, and is taken as the higher of the CA and QC reserve price, converted to the same currency. The prevailing reserve price in a given year will depend on the exchange rate, as well as the inflation in each of the two jurisdictions.	\$13.57	\$14.52	\$15.54	\$16.62	\$17.79	\$19.03	\$20.36	\$21.79	\$23.32	\$24.95	\$26.69	\$28.56	\$30.56	\$32.70	\$34.99	\$37.44	\$40.06	\$42.87	\$45.87	\$49.08	\$ 52.51



Cost Control Options: Follow-up to May 24, 2017 Discussion on 2017 Long-Term Energy Plan Base Case

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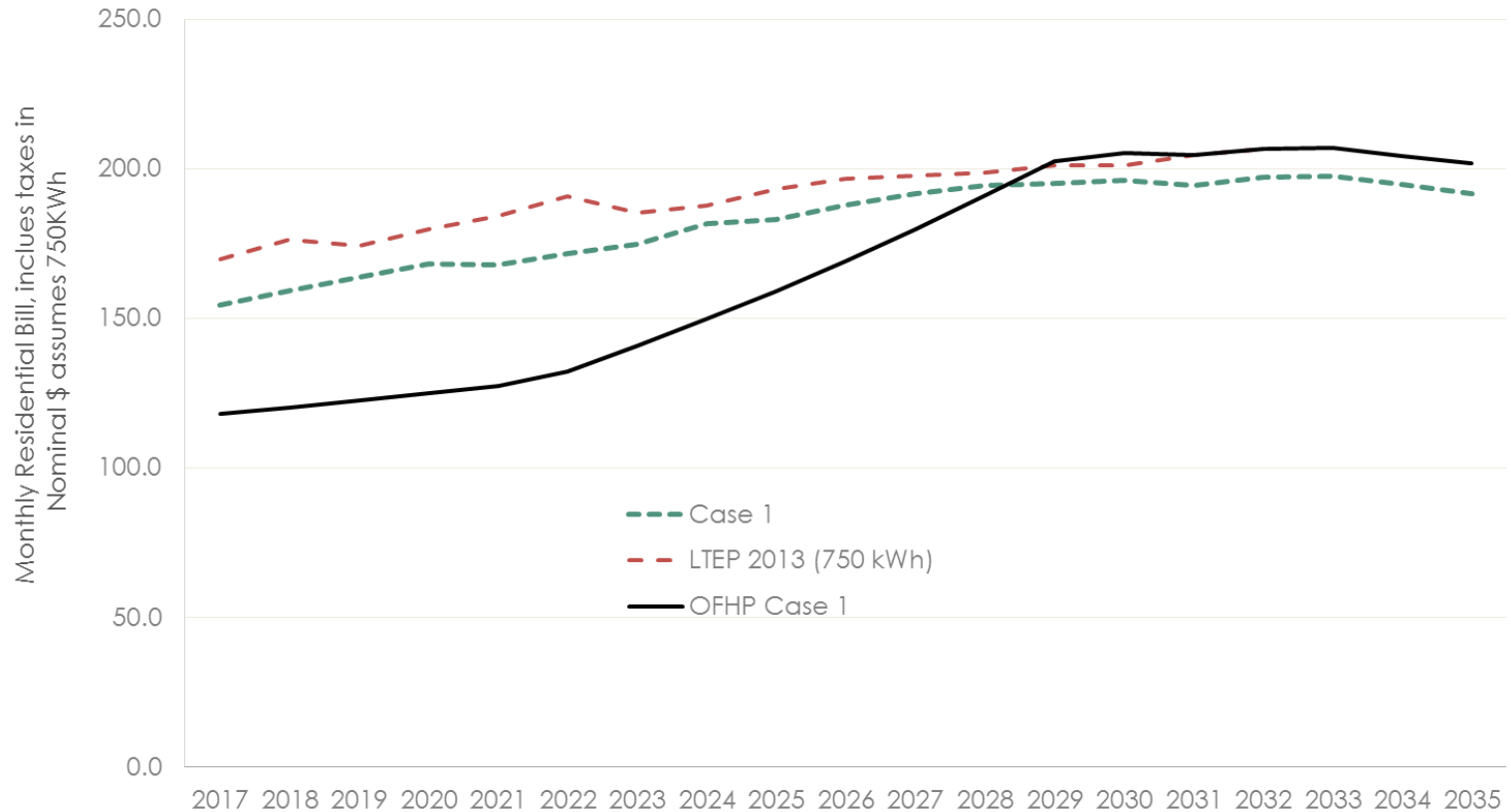
- The IESO delivered a long-term planning analysis to the Ministry of Energy on May 24, 2017. The analysis focused on capacity balances, energy production, carbon emissions and costs.
- For immediate follow-up, the Ministry of Energy asked the IESO to (a) compare the IESO's current projection of residential electricity bills to the 2013 LTEP projection; and (b) consider options to reduce residential electricity bills
- The Ministry of Energy's requests are addressed in the following slides. Five scenarios are explored:
 - Case 1: A basecase^{*}
 - Case 2: Replacement of Thunder Bay and Atikokan generating stations at a more competitive cost at contract expiry
 - Case 3: Funding conservation through the GGRA starting in 2018
 - Case 4: Funding a percentage (10%) of renewables costs through the GGRA starting in 2017
 - Case 5: Not proceeding with MicroFit 2017 and FIT 5, and exiting LRP1 contracts
- The above are analyzed cumulatively: each scenario incorporates the cost control measures of all scenarios that precede it. Residential bills are projected for each scenario, total costs and industrial rates are also reported.
- Additional options are considered conceptually, pending completion of analysis underway at this time. These include revisiting ICI eligibility and adapting plans for Pickering extended operations.

^{*}Base case reflects achievement of 2013 LTEP conservation targets and supply assumptions consistent with the Ministry of Energy's 2017 Long-term Energy Modelling Assumptions document available at [Appendix](#))

Summary: The current projection for residential electricity bills is generally, but not always, lower than in the 2013 LTEP. Cost control measures could reduce residential bills to below 2013 LTEP projections.

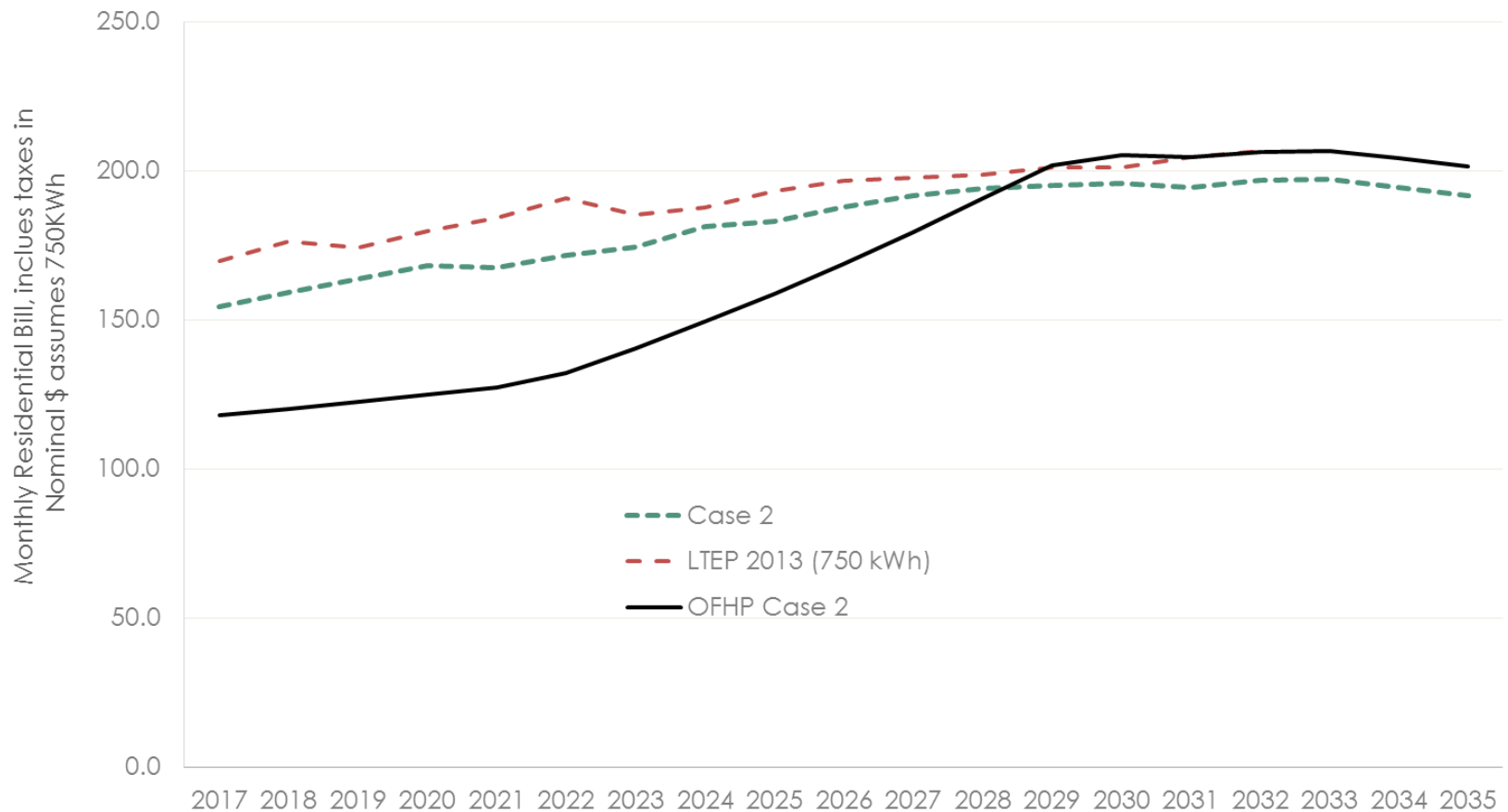
- Base case with OFHP but without further cost control measures: currently projected residential bills are lower than in the 2013 LTEP for most years, except in 2029 and 2030, where they are higher by roughly \$1/Month and \$4/Month, respectively
- In conjunction with the OFHP, replacing the Thunder Bay and Atikokan generating stations at a more competitive cost and also funding conservation through the GGRA starting in 2018 would result in lower residential monthly bills than projected in the 2013 LTEP in all years over the planning period
- Cost control measures as identified in Cases 3 to 5 could reduce residential bills by up to \$5 per month compared to the 2013 LTEP by 2032. This difference is interpreted as within the range of modelling approximation.
- The cost control options considered here generally fall into four categories:
 - a. Reducing investment and operating costs (i.e. buying less and/or buying-operating at a lower cost)
 - b. Deferring ratepayer costs (i.e. OFHP)
 - c. Shifting ratepayer costs (i.e. GGRA)
 - d. Reallocating costs among ratepayer classes (i.e. revisiting ICI eligibility)
- Of the five scenarios considered, most fall into the “deferring” and “shifting” categories outline above: this is a function of Ontario’s current state of electricity resource commitment. Options that fall into category “a” include not proceeding with FIT5 and Microfit2017 and replacing Thunder Bay and Atikokan at a lower cost. Limiting the scope of ICI eligibility might not only reallocate costs, but also reduce total costs.

Case 1: The base case monthly residential bill projection with OFHP is generally lower than in the 2013 LTEP, with the exception of the years 2029 and 2030. The annual escalation is 6.3% per year between 2022 and 2028. The basecase monthly residential bill projection without OFHP is lower than the 2013 LTEP projection in all years.



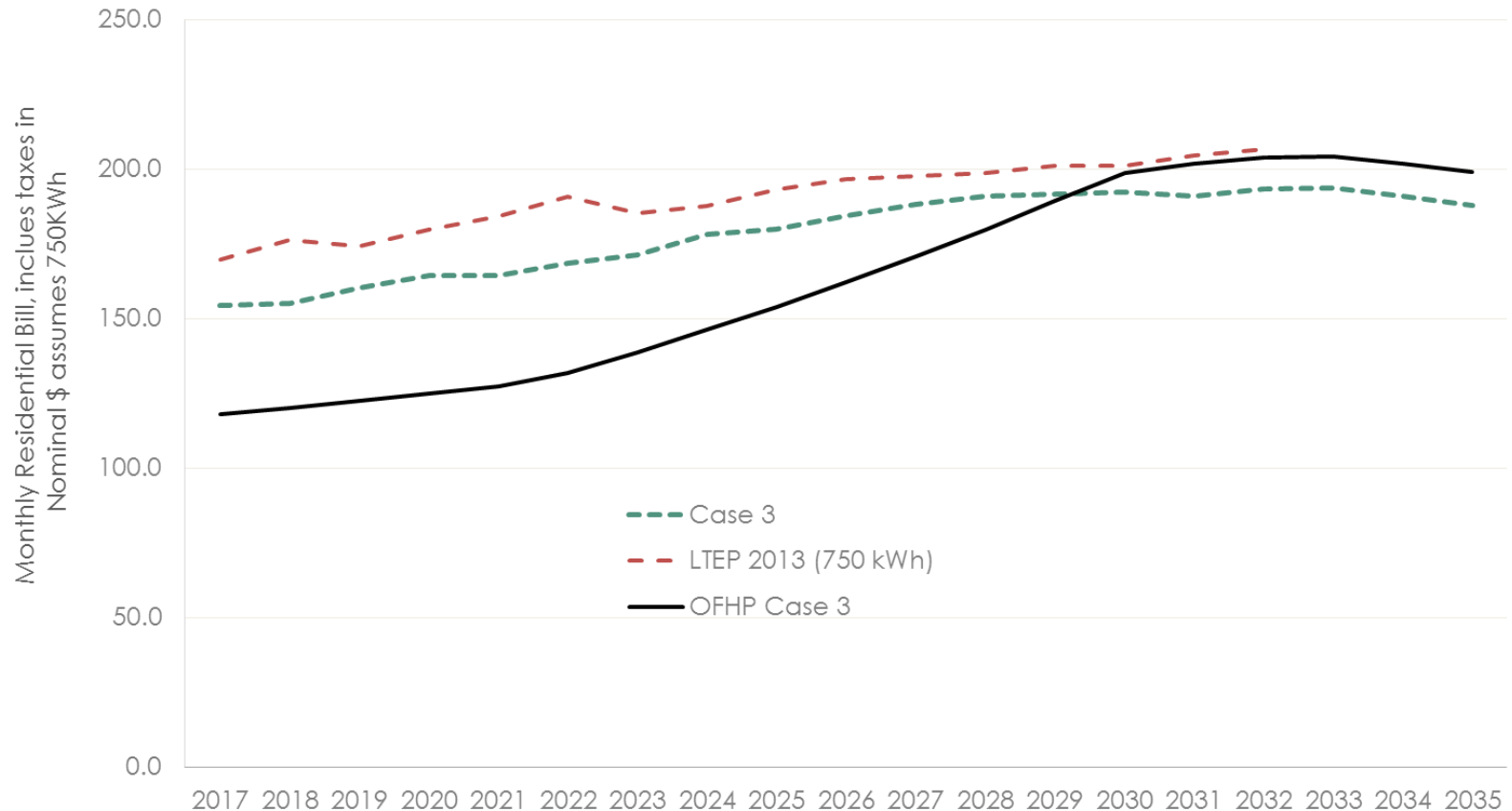
- Basecase trajectory with OFHP is comparable to the original Ministry of Energy projection of the OFHP used for Cabinet briefing. See Appendix for illustration.

Case 2: In conjunction with the OFHP, replacing the Thunder Bay and Atikokan generating stations at a more competitive cost would result in lower residential monthly bills than projected in the 2013 LTEP for almost the entire planning period, with the exception of the years 2029 and 2030



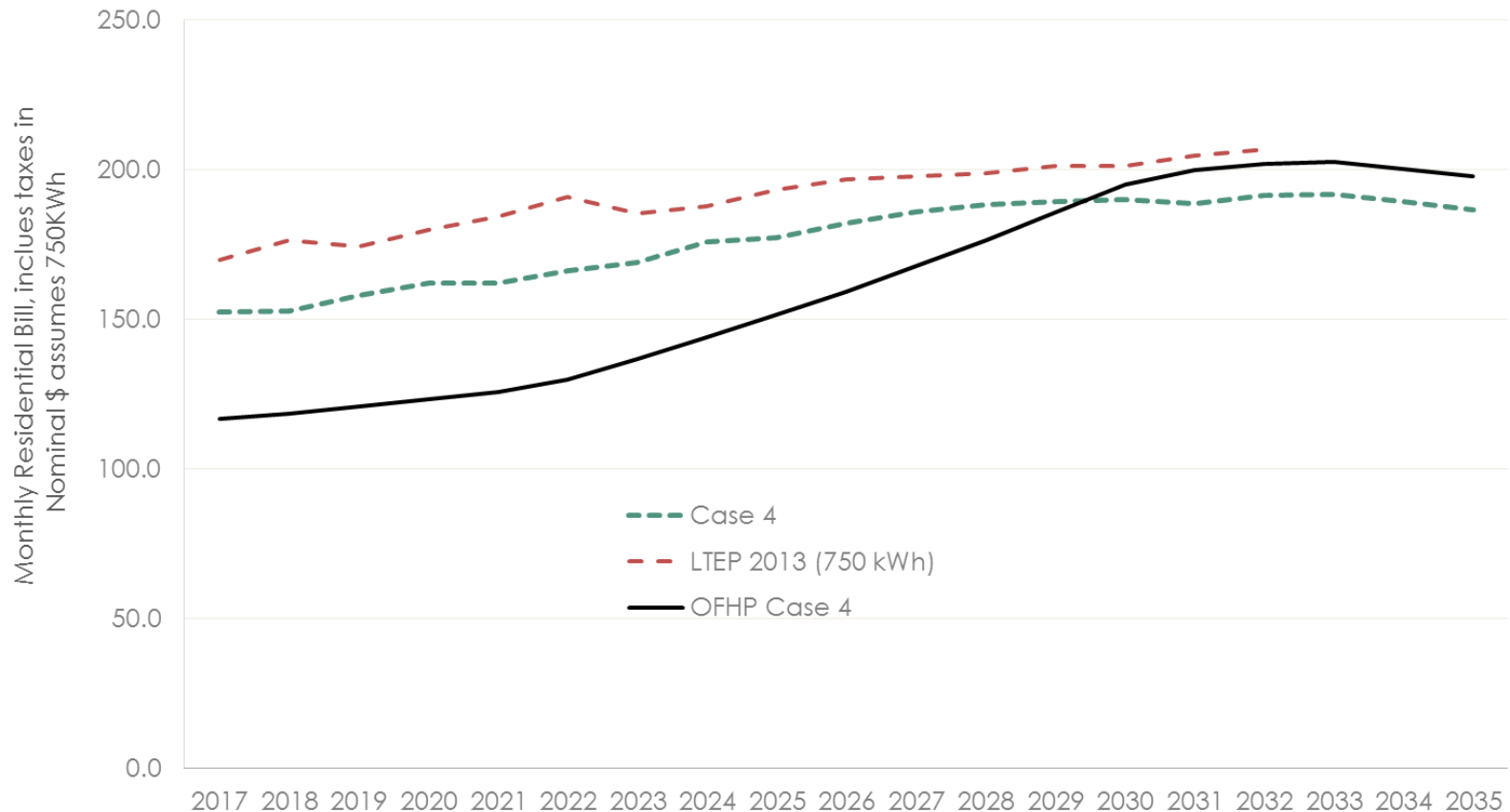
- Cumulative savings of over \$900 Million would be achieved with a more market competitive cost for contract expiry of Thunder Bay and Atikokan. Details available in Appendix.

Case 3: Shifting conservation costs into the GGRA would further reduce residential bills relative to the 2013 LTEP. Bills under such a scenario would remain below 2013 LTEP projections in each year between 2017 and 2035. The annual escalation would be about 5.3% per year from 2022 to 2028.



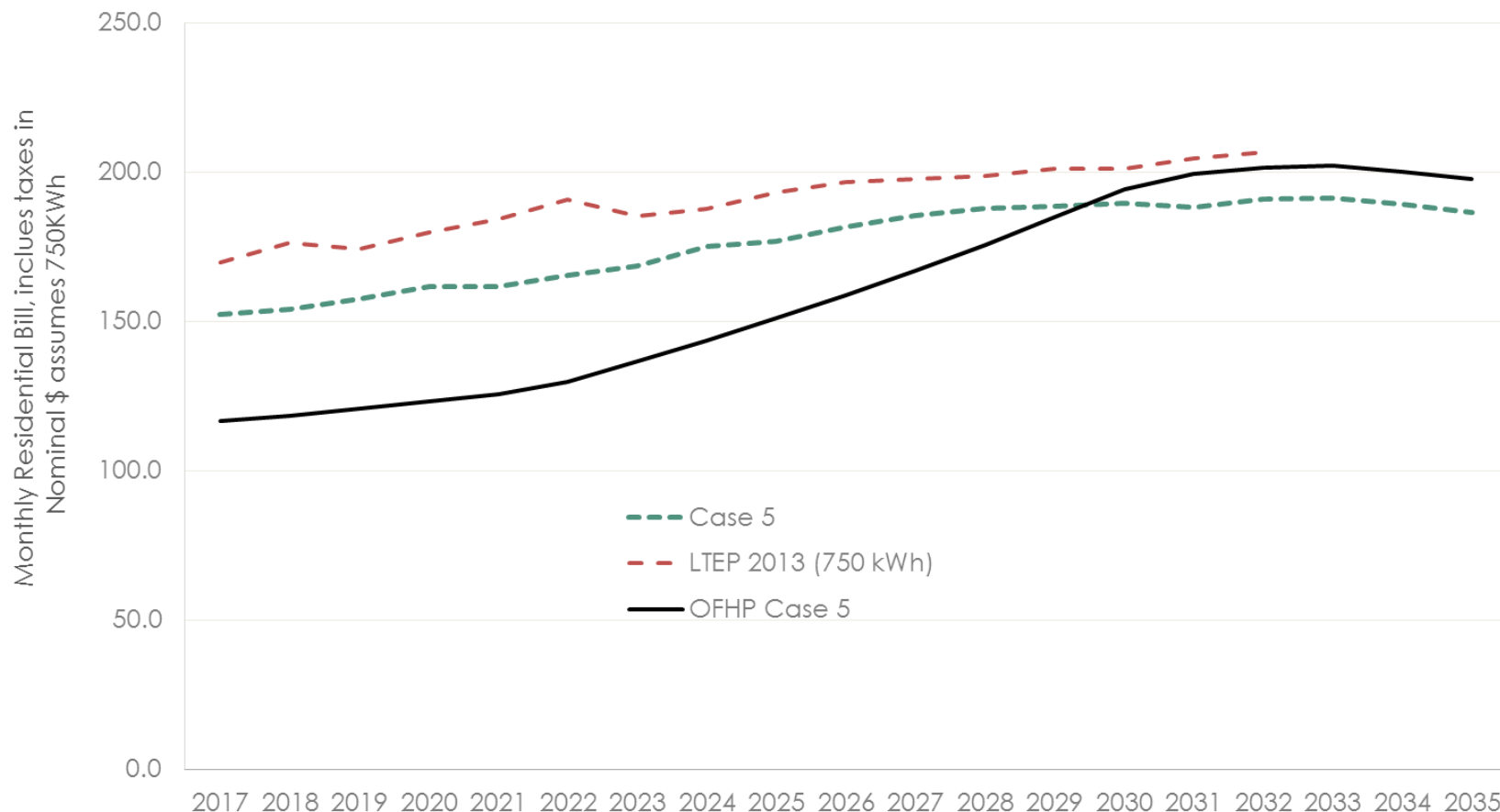
- Cumulative cost of \$54 Billion shifted into GGRA. Details available in Appendix.

Case 4: Shifting 10% of Ontario's annual renewable costs to the GGRA would reduce ratepayer costs by about \$285 million per year and result in additional residential bill savings compared the 2013 LTEP



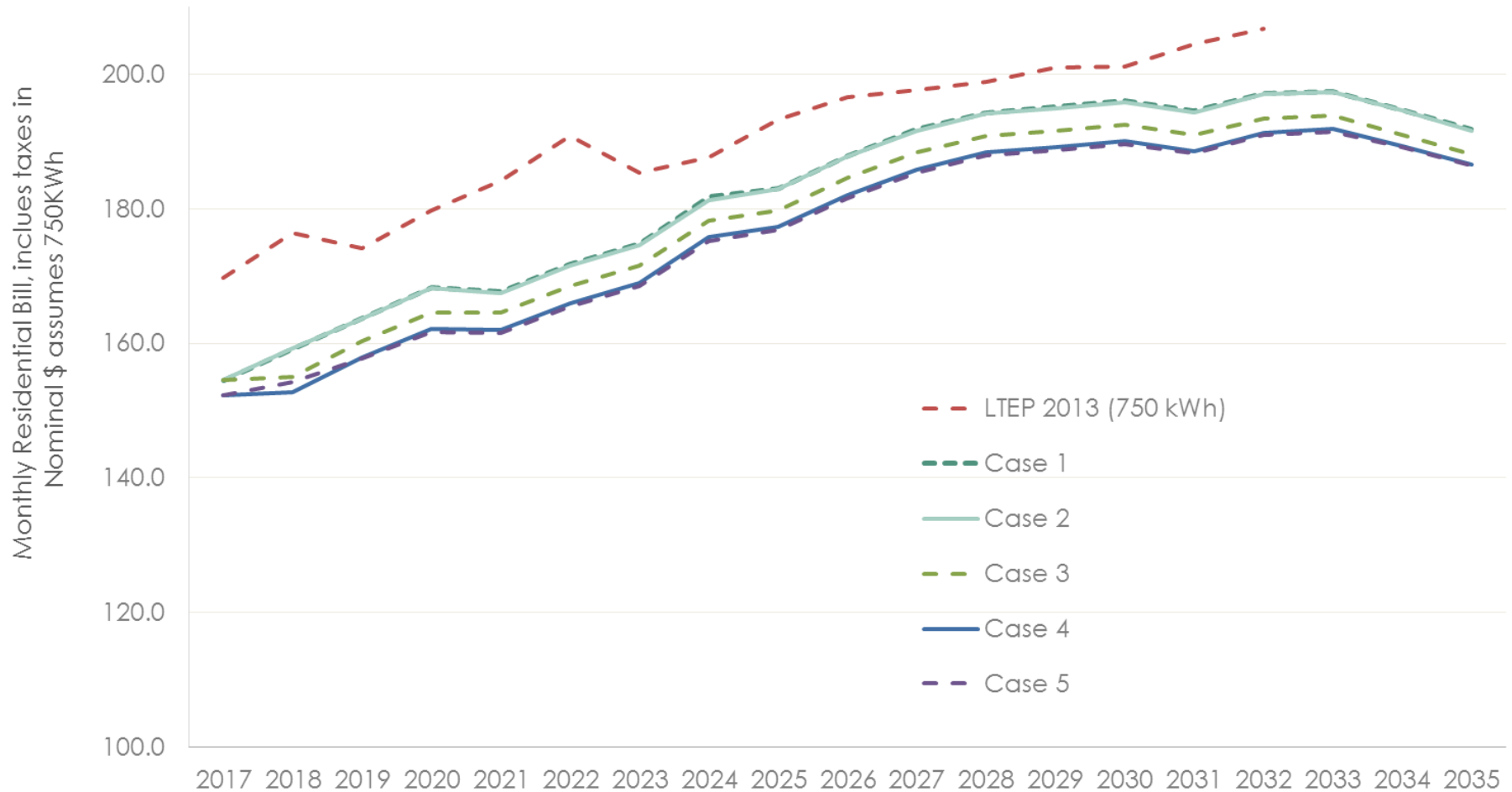
- Cumulative cost of \$7.4 Billion shifted into GGRA. Details available in Appendix.

Case 5: Not proceeding with FIT5 and Microfit2017 and existing commitments under LRP1 would further reduce residential bills. The projected costs of these programs is between \$70 Million and \$118 Million per year between 2019 and 2035, for a cumulative total cost of about \$1.5 Billion. Net cost savings could be achieved after accounting for the cost of exiting contracts.

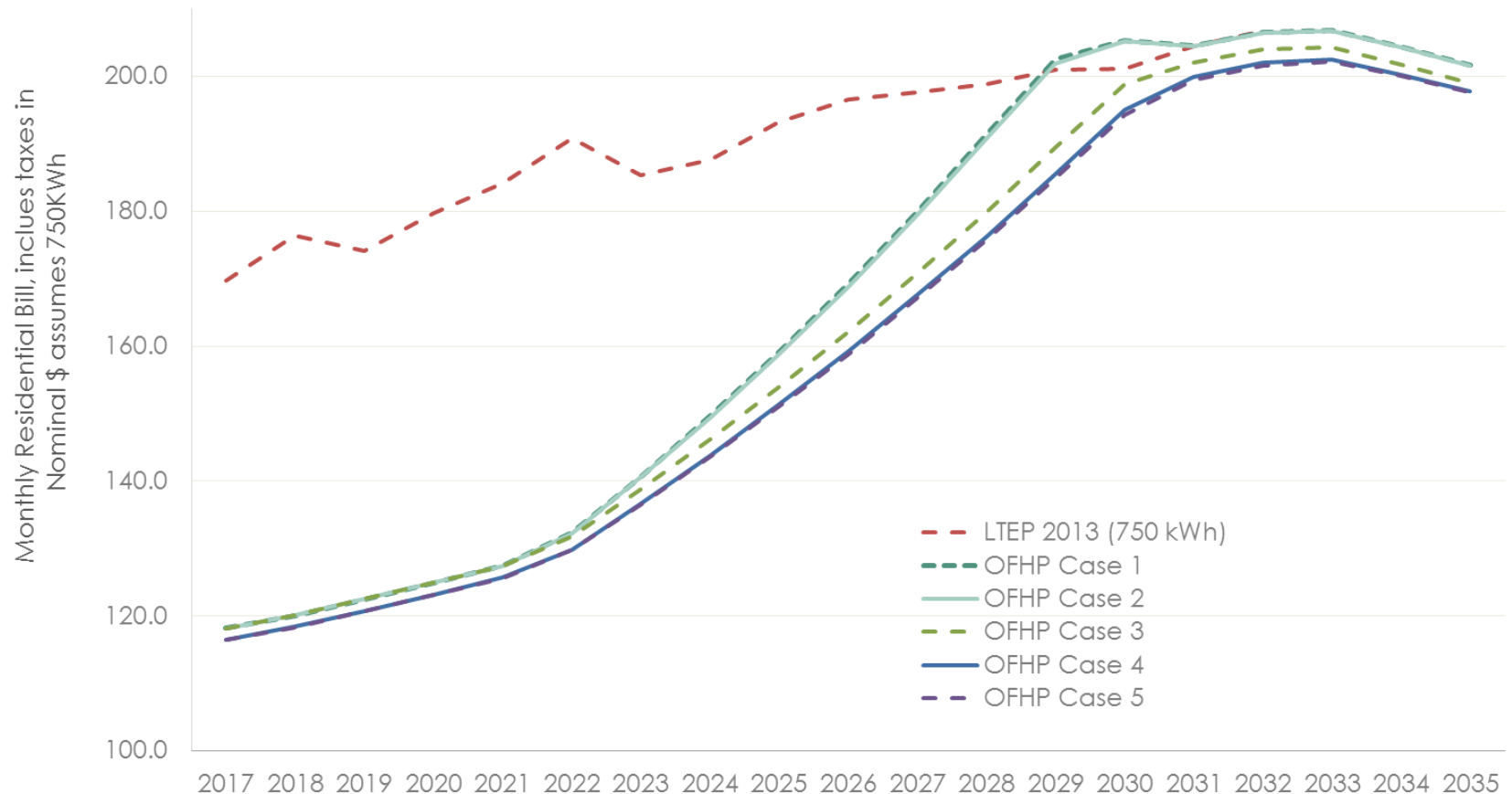


- Cumulative savings of over \$1.5 Billion would be achieved by not proceeding with FIT5 and Microfit 2017 and existing LRP 1. Details available in Appendix.

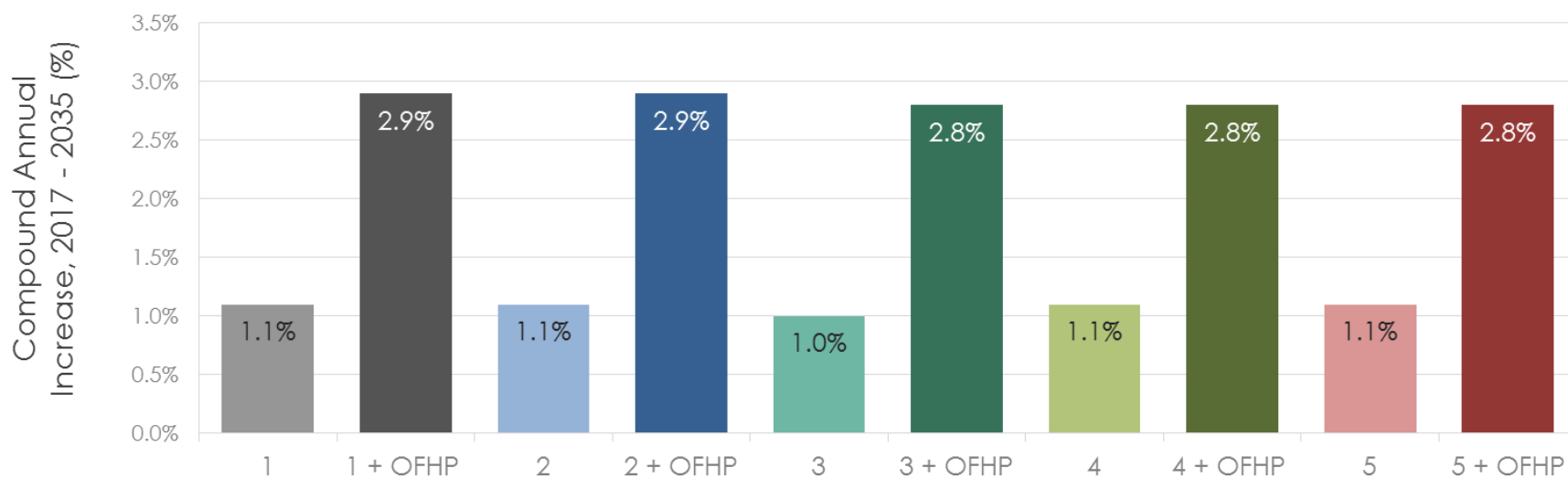
Overview of all Cases without OFHP: residential bills under all cases would remain below 2013 LTEP projections in all years, prior to accounting for the OFHP



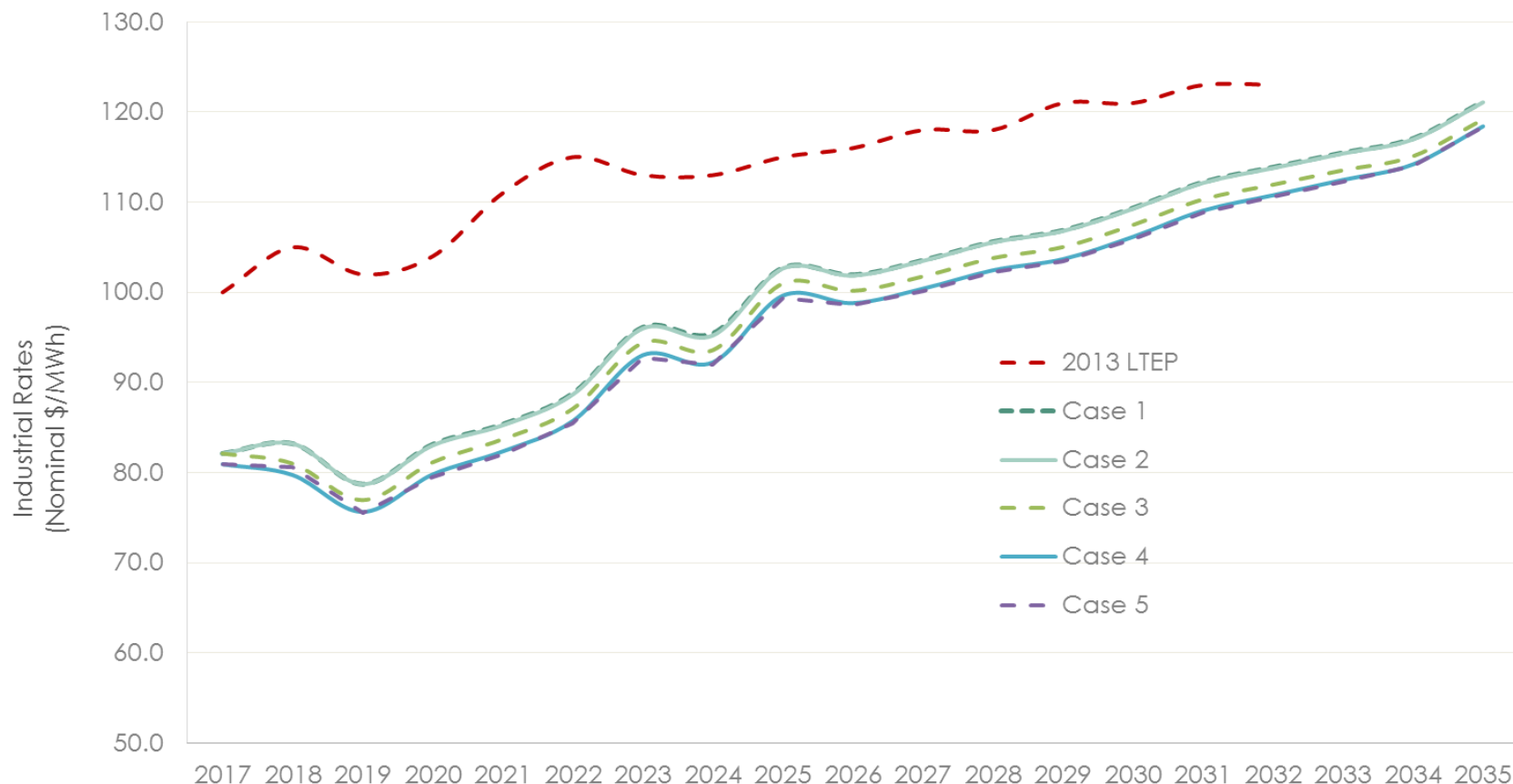
Overview of all cases with OFHP: After accounting for the OFHP, bills would be notably lower relative to 2013 LTEP projections over the next decade or so, then would return to bills consistent with the 2013 LTEP projection. Cases 1 and 2 would exceed the 2013 LTEP projections in some years; cases 3 through 5 would remain below 2013 LTEP projections in all years, and by 2032 it will lower the bills by about \$5/Mth



Overview of all residential cases, continued: without the OFHP, all monthly residential bills projections would increase at less than the rate of inflation. For all projections with the OFHP, compound annual residential rate increases would exceed inflation, since rates would start from a lower level.



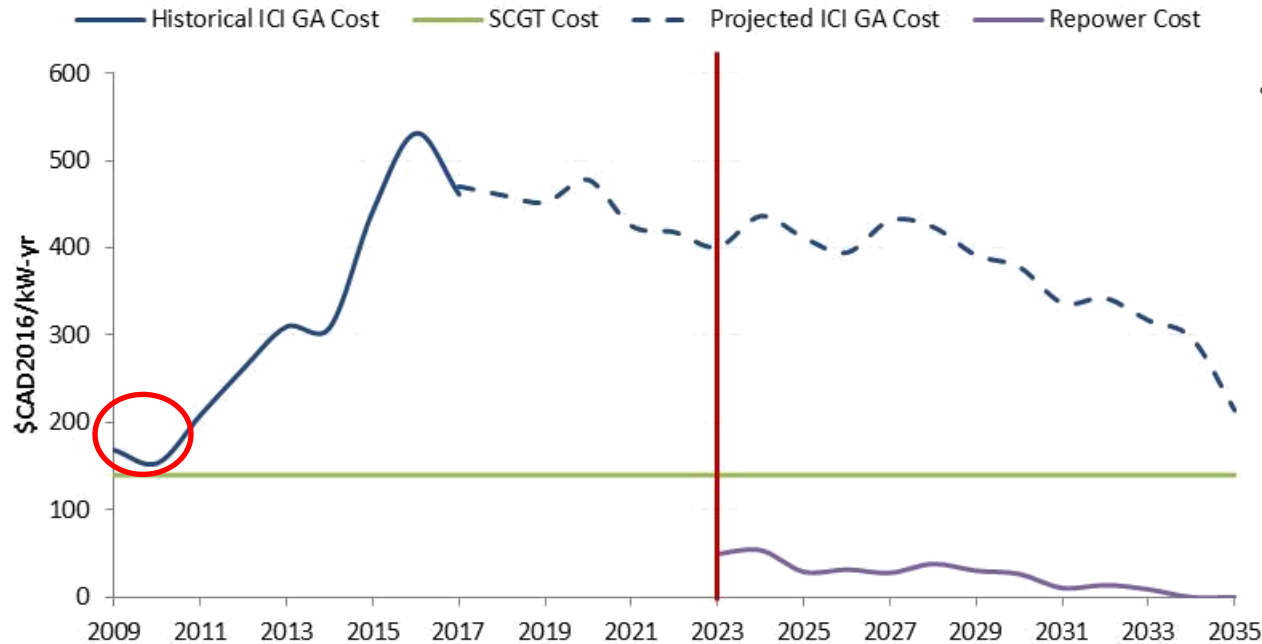
Overview of industrial rates for all cases: projected industrial rates are below 2013 LTEP projections. For the highest case, Case 1, the industrial rates are lower between \$9 and \$26 dollars per MWh. The net difference between Case 1 to Case 5 ranges between \$1 to \$4 dollars per MWh.



Additional considerations: the effect on costs of an alternative scope of Pickering extended operations is not well understood at this time. Work is underway to get a better sense of implications of a longer or shorter extended operations period. Work is also underway to better understand cost impacts of revisiting ICI eligibility. Some preliminary considerations are outlined below.

- Pickering extended operations: Previous IESO assessments have shown that Pickering extended operations has the potential to reduce costs, but is not without its potential pitfalls: its economic merits are sensitive to variables such as Pickering cost and performance, natural gas price and capacity and energy needs. The IESO has also noted that extending all Pickering units to the end of 2024 can lead to a disbenefit and that reducing the number of units extended would be worth exploring in light of Pickering's contribution to surpluses, etc.
- On May 24, 2017, the Ministry of Energy verbally indicated that extending some or all Pickering units to 2026 might be an emerging option. The economic merits of this option should be considered against the latest supply/demand outlook and reflect OPG's best available estimates of Pickering cost and performance. At this point, the effect of extending units to 2026 is unclear.
- ICI: The ICI program shifts some fixed costs away from participating customers and places those costs onto non-participating (e.g. residential) customers. The definition of who is eligible for ICI has expanded in recent times. Narrowing ICI eligibility could have the effect of reducing the amount of fixed costs passed on to residential customers. However, narrowing ICI eligibility could lead to lower ICI participation and therefore lower peak reductions. Lower peak reductions could increase the need for supply resources. As shown on the following slide, preliminary IESO analysis suggests the ICI is more expensive than alternative resource options. Narrowing ICI eligibility could therefore also reduce total costs (i.e. in addition to relieving non-participants from some fixed costs).

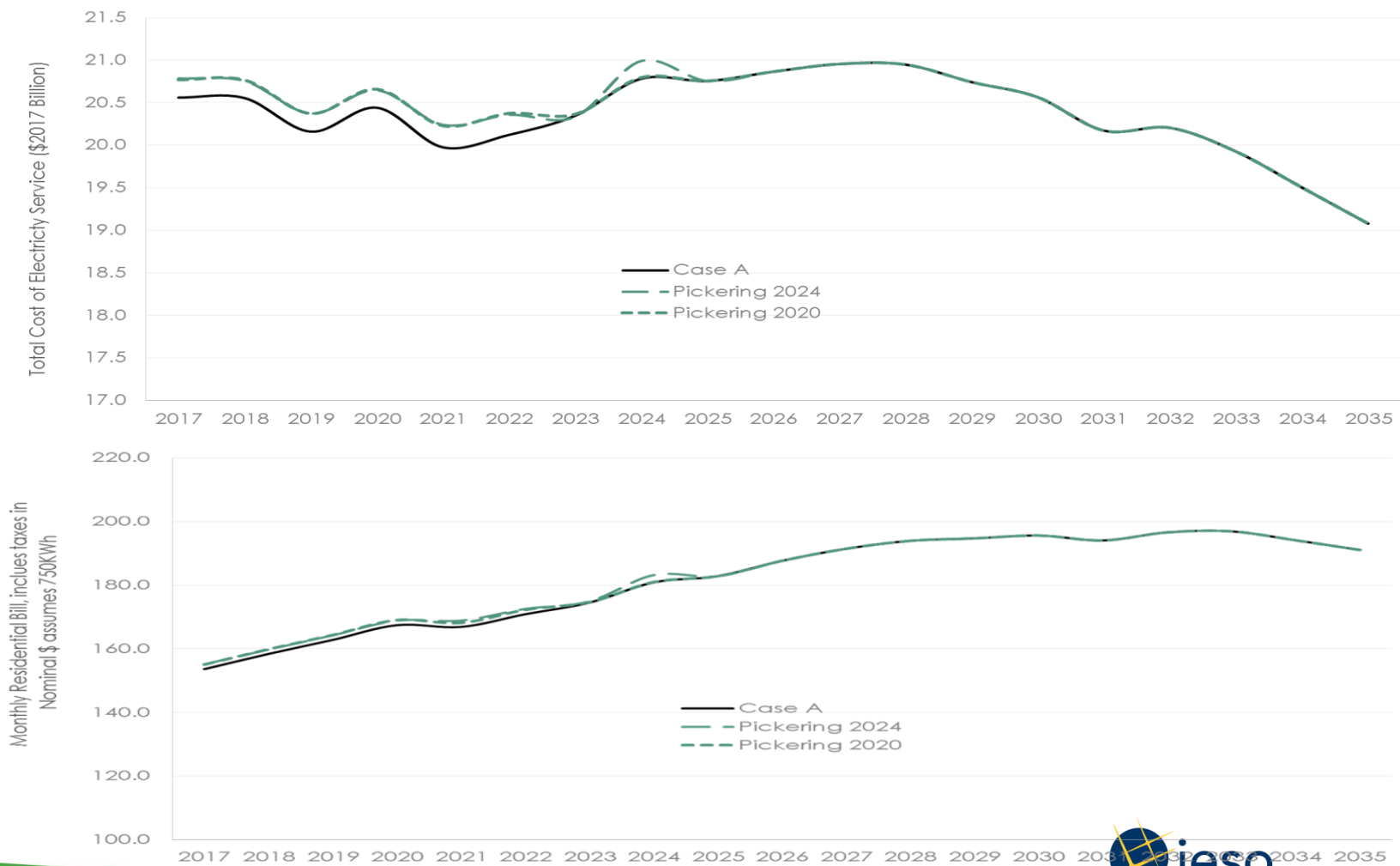
Additional considerations - Illustration: the cost of ICI has historically been greater than Ontario's avoided capacity cost. Options such as a new-build plant, demand response or repowered plant could provide capacity at a lower cost than ICI.



- The cost of capacity through ICI program is decreasing (dashed blue line) however, it does not decrease below the cost of new build capacity within this timeframe. The cost of ICI capacity remains higher than system avoided cost.

- When ICI program was initiated, the avoided system cost of new capacity (SCGT Cost) was in-line with the cost of capacity through the ICI program (circled in red)
- The cost of capacity through ICI program has increased significantly (solid blue line)
- Capacity needs start in the mid 2020s
- This capacity need could be met through a combination of repowering expiring contracts (purple line) or new peaking capacity (represented by SCGT cost in green). The system avoided cost in these years would be somewhere between these lines.

Additional considerations - another illustration: Two cases were considered with Pickering A units 1 & 4 retiring in 2020 and Pickering A units extended to 2024. Both scenarios resulted in a total cost increase and increase in monthly residential bills: the current extended operations schedule seems to have hit a sweet spot among options considered to date. Consideration of Pickering extended operations beyond 2024 will require the best available information from OPG.



Appendix:

- Ministry of Energy's 2017 Long-Term Energy Plan Modelling Assumptions document, April 6 2017
- Further detail on analysis of five scenarios

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MINISTRY OF ENERGY'S 2017 LONG-TERM ENERGY PLAN MODELLING ASSUMPTIONS

This document summarizes the modelling assumptions for the reference outlook to inform the Ministry of Energy's 2017 Long-Term Energy Plan ("2017 LTEP").

The document reflects the IESO's understanding of the assumptions to be assumed for the 2017 LTEP based on IESO/ENERGY discussions between February and April 2017 and comments received from ENERGY staff on April 1, 2017.

In order to proceed with analytics, the IESO is seeking Ministry sign off on this document no later than Friday April 7, 2017

Section 1 – Assumptions

Outlook Timeframe

- The IESO will model the LTEP for the period 2017 to 2035 to align with the timeframe presented in the 2016 Ontario Planning Outlook (OPO).

Demand

- It is the IESO's understanding that ENERGY's preference is to consider a single demand outlook as the reference forecast. The reference demand forecast for the 2017 LTEP will be OPO Outlook B with the addition of electric vehicle (EV) demand assumptions per Outlook D (i.e., 2.4 million EVs by 2035).
- It is the IESO's understanding that ENERGY's preference is to consider a range of sensitivities around the reference demand forecast, with the range of sensitivity starting in 2026. Therefore, two sensitivities will be developed around the reference demand forecast to illustrate higher and lower ranges beginning in 2026:
 - The lower range will have similar assumptions to OPO Outlook A.
 - The higher range will assume higher household growth, higher new square footage growth in various commercial buildings, and greater growth in the industrial sector.
- Detailed energy/costing analysis will not be performed for the low and high demand sensitivities. Instead, their implications may be described qualitatively.

Conservation and Demand Response

- The 2013 LTEP targets 30 TWh of energy efficiency by 2032 and assumes that the near term target set in the Conservation First Framework and Industrial Accelerator Program of 8.7 TWh will be achieved by 2020.
- The IESO understands that ENERGY is seeking analysis on modeling a higher than 2013 LTEP conservation target within the OPO Outlook B. Based on discussions with the ADM and Michael Lyle, the IESO will perform analysis assuming 1) the 2013 LTEP conservation targets and 2) a higher conservation target.

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- The 2013 LTEP included a Demand Response target which includes Time-of-Use (TOU), Industrial Conservation Initiative (ICI) and demand response (DR) auction combined to meet 10% of peak demand by 2025. It is the IESO's understanding that ENERGY requests to eliminate the demand response target that was established in 2013 LTEP for the 2017 LTEP base case. The IESO will assume for the 2017 LTEP base case that TOU and ICI will continue to persist throughout the planning horizon and any DR currently procured through the DR auction would continue to be available in future auctions. Should there be capacity needs moving forward, additional demand response could be procured through the capacity auction.

Supply

- The IESO will assume the nuclear schedule that is consistent with OPO, which reflects OPG's current business plan and the amended Bruce refurbishment agreement:
 - Bruce as per the schedule in the finalized ABPRIA;
 - Pickering continued operations to 2022/2024 (Note from ENERGY: In March 2017, OPG Board approved operation of all six units to 2024 subject to system needs and project economics. As such, the additional two years is considered a supply option/scenario rather than a base case);
 - Darlington as per the finalized refurbishment schedule.
- It is the IESO's understanding that ENERGY does not want to consider operation of all six Pickering units to 2024 as part of the analysis. The IESO will assume Pickering continued operations to 2022/2024 for the base case.
- The IESO will reflect the October 2016 Ontario-Quebec Electricity Trade Agreement.
 - Energy 2.3 TWh per year (2017 to 2022 inclusive) Quebec to Ontario;
 - 500 MW capacity per winter December to March (2016/17 to 2022/23 inclusive) Ontario to Quebec; and
 - 500 MW capacity Quebec to Ontario in return for delivery of 500 MW to Quebec in 2015/16 as part of original capacity swap.
- The IESO will reflect recently contracted new resources e.g. Chaudiere Falls Gatineau No.1 and Hull No.2 waterpower contracts.
- The IESO will assume the suspension of Large Renewable Procurement II and Energy From Waste Procurement as a result of the September 2016 direction.
- The IESO will assume FIT 5 and microFIT 2017 are the remaining renewable programs to be procured that are not yet online or contracted.
- The 2013 LTEP set renewable capacity targets of 10.7 GW for non-hydroelectric by 2021 and 9.3 GW for hydroelectric by 2025. The IESO will assume the elimination of hydro and non-hydro renewable targets and that there will be no further renewable procurements beyond FIT 5 and microFIT 2017 in the 2017 LTEP reference outlook.

Costs

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- The IESO will assume natural gas price forecast per the Sproule projection as of February 2017. Further updates to the gas price forecast will lengthen modelling timelines. The IESO will assess a lower and higher gas price forecast for sensitivity.
- The IESO will include new higher contracted price information for existing NUG contracts.
- The IESO will assume carbon cost as the reserve price (i.e., the floor price) projection in the 2017 LTEP base case, and the "updated CA-QC-ON Bloomberg Nov 2016" projection for the sensitivity.
 - Note that the reserve price projection is slightly different from the OPO forecast; it now includes the actual floor price for the March 2017 cap and trade allowance auction as notified in January 2017, and this value is inflated by 5% as per the cap and trade regulations and added an assumed inflation factor of 2%.
 - The "updated CA-QC-ON Bloomberg Nov 2016" projection has been provided to IESO via ENERGY.
 - See Appendix for the carbon price projection values.
- The IESO will assume OPG nuclear rates to be consistent with the revised OPG Rate Smooth received from Tim Christie on March 13, 2017. The IESO will use the OPG nuclear outage data received from Tim Christie on March 10, 2017, and the nuclear production data received from Tim Christie on March 13, 2017. No change to Bruce Power nuclear prices from OPO.
- The IESO will assume OPG hydro rates to be consistent with the data received from Tim Christie on March 23, 2017.
- Upon contract expiry, for modelling purposes, the IESO will assume the assets will continue to be available for the duration of the planning outlook (i.e. similar to Outlook B in OPO). This recognises that the system can benefit from a portion of ongoing value from these assets with some re-investment, rather than requiring complete new build to meet the demand. The results of the "Benefits Case Assessment of the Market Renewal Project" prepared by the Brattle Group indicates that the cost based methodology used in the 2016 OPO would generate slightly lower results than the market based methodology pricing for these assets after contract expiry. The capacity market will be the implementation mechanism that achieves these cost based values for these assets after contract expiry.

For the 2017 LTEP, the following assumptions will be used for costing expired contracts:

	Contract Expiry Cost Assumptions
Natural Gas	The contract information converted to a generic gas plant with re-investment proportions assumptions per Hatch Report.
Wind	Based on LRP I, with a discounted capital cost re-investment assumption for end of life components and accounting for on-going value from the balance of the asset. This cost assumption is lower than that used in 2016 OPO.
Solar	Based on LRP I, except that future investments for end of life components that need to be replaced decline in cost to recognise technological improvements. This cost assumption is lower than that used in 2016 OPO.

Industrial Rates and Residential Bills

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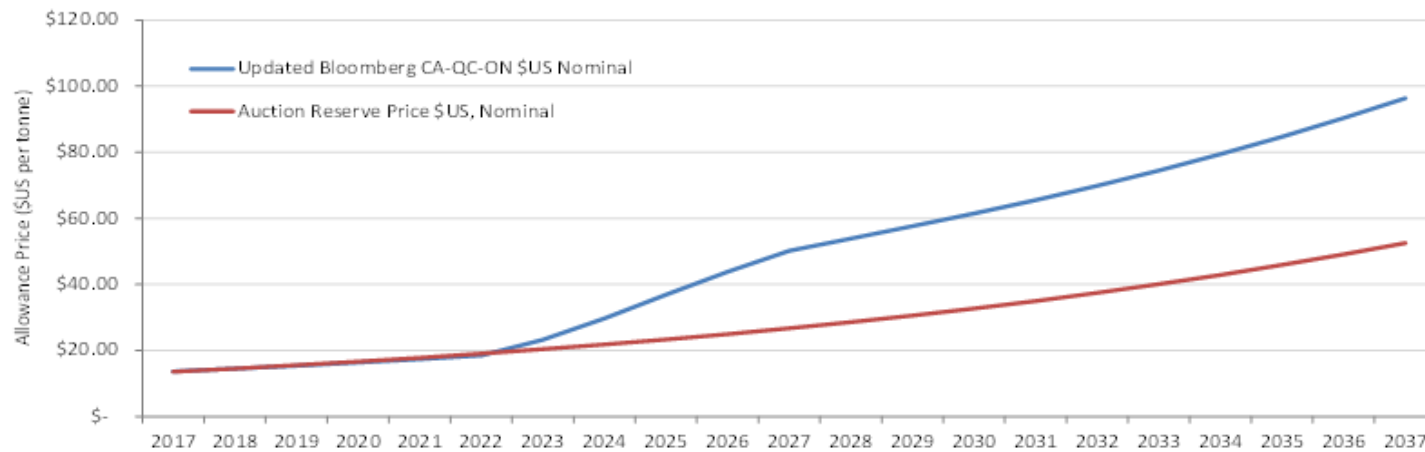
- The industrial rates and residential bill impacts will not reflect recycling of proceeds from the Cap and Trade program.
- The residential bills will be the base bills, prior to the application of the Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan.
- Application of the Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan to the residential bills will require specific guidance and direction from ENERGY.

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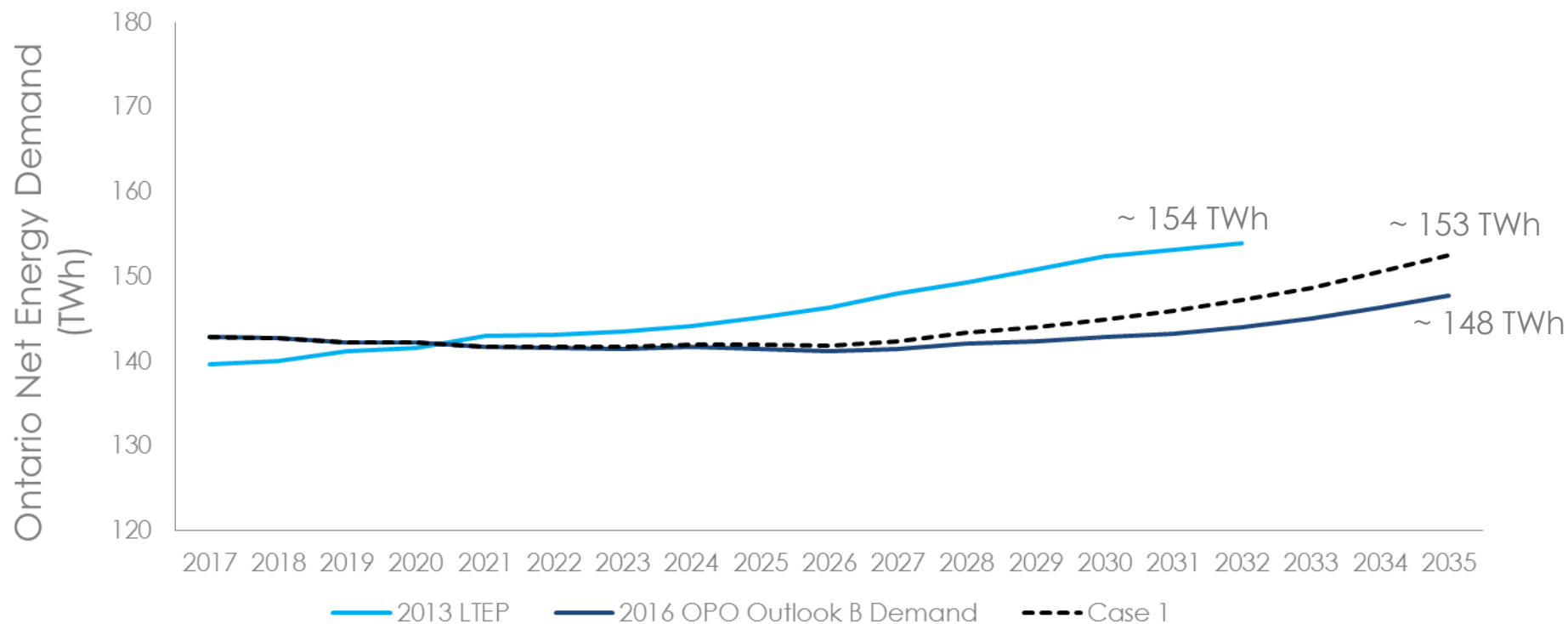
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Appendix Carbon price projection

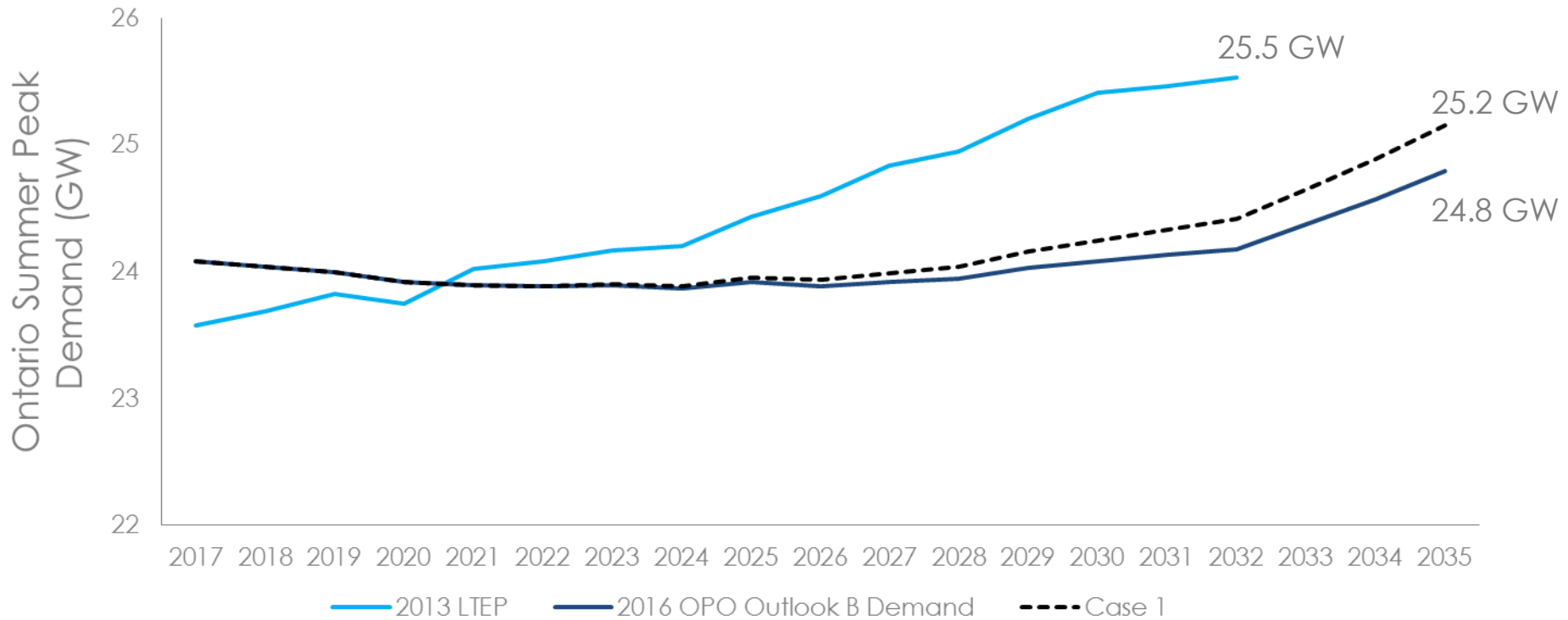
															Assume same rate of increase as that observed from 2029 to 2037						
	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037
Updated CA-QC-ON (\$US, Nominal) - Bloomberg Nov 2016 (Provided by ENERGY)	\$13.62	\$14.47	\$15.39	\$16.34	\$17.37	\$18.47	\$23.21	\$29.67	\$36.85	\$43.85	\$50.13	\$53.87	\$57.60	\$61.43	\$65.50	\$69.85	\$74.49	\$79.44	\$84.71	\$90.34	\$ 96.33
Auction Reserve Price (aka Floor Price) (\$US, Nominal) - Derived from Feb 2017 Auction Reserve Price, which is inflated by 5% plus inflation each year. Inflation assumed to be 2%. Reserve price is determined prior to each auction, and is taken as the higher of the CA and QC reserve price, converted to the same currency. The prevailing reserve price in a given year will depend on the exchange rate, as well as the inflation in each of the two jurisdictions.	\$13.57	\$14.52	\$15.54	\$16.62	\$17.79	\$19.03	\$20.36	\$21.79	\$23.32	\$24.95	\$26.69	\$28.56	\$30.56	\$32.70	\$34.99	\$37.44	\$40.06	\$42.87	\$45.87	\$49.08	\$ 52.51



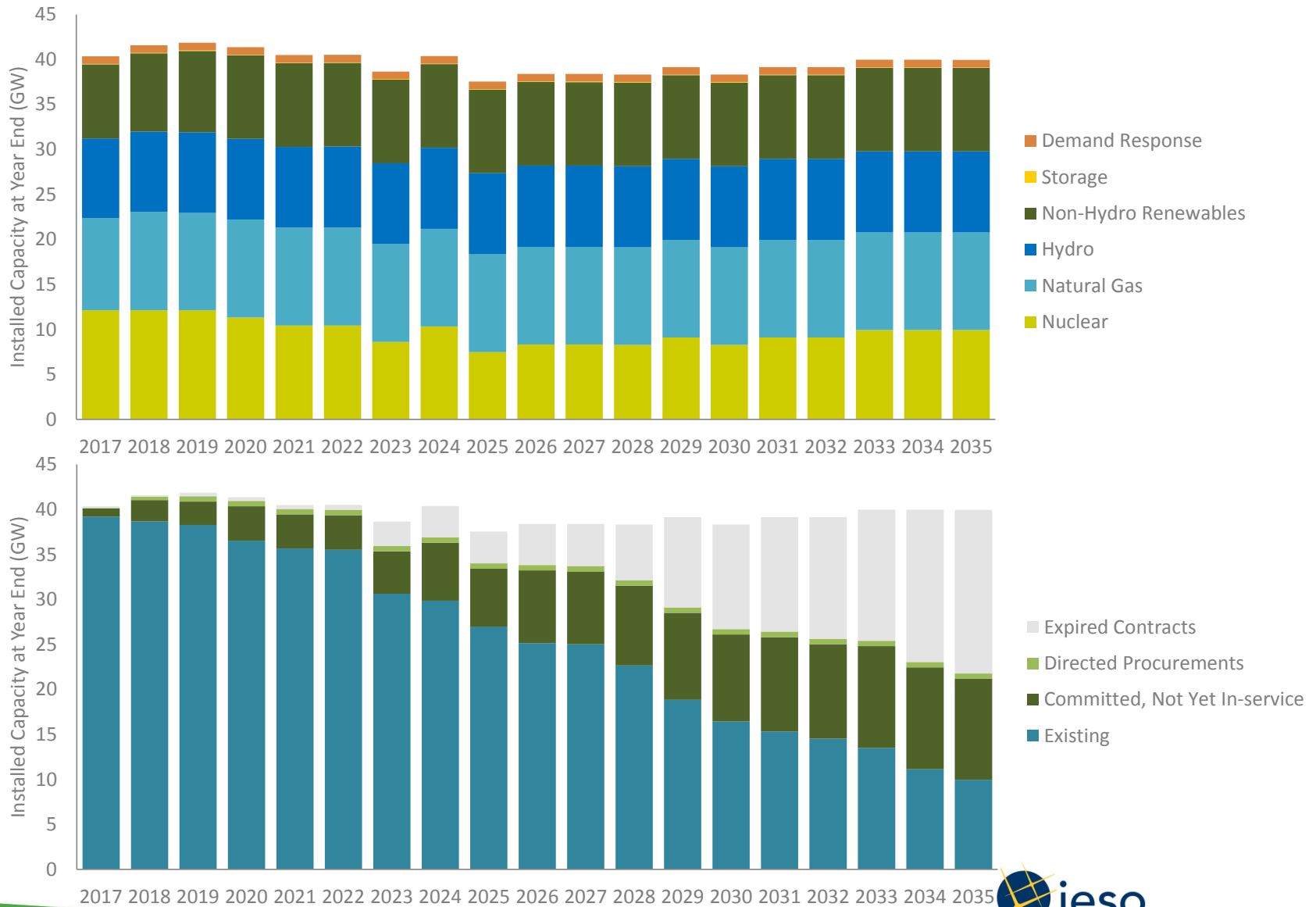
Case 1 and the 2016 OPO projected annual electricity demand to be higher in the near term than the 2013 LTEP, but lower in the long term



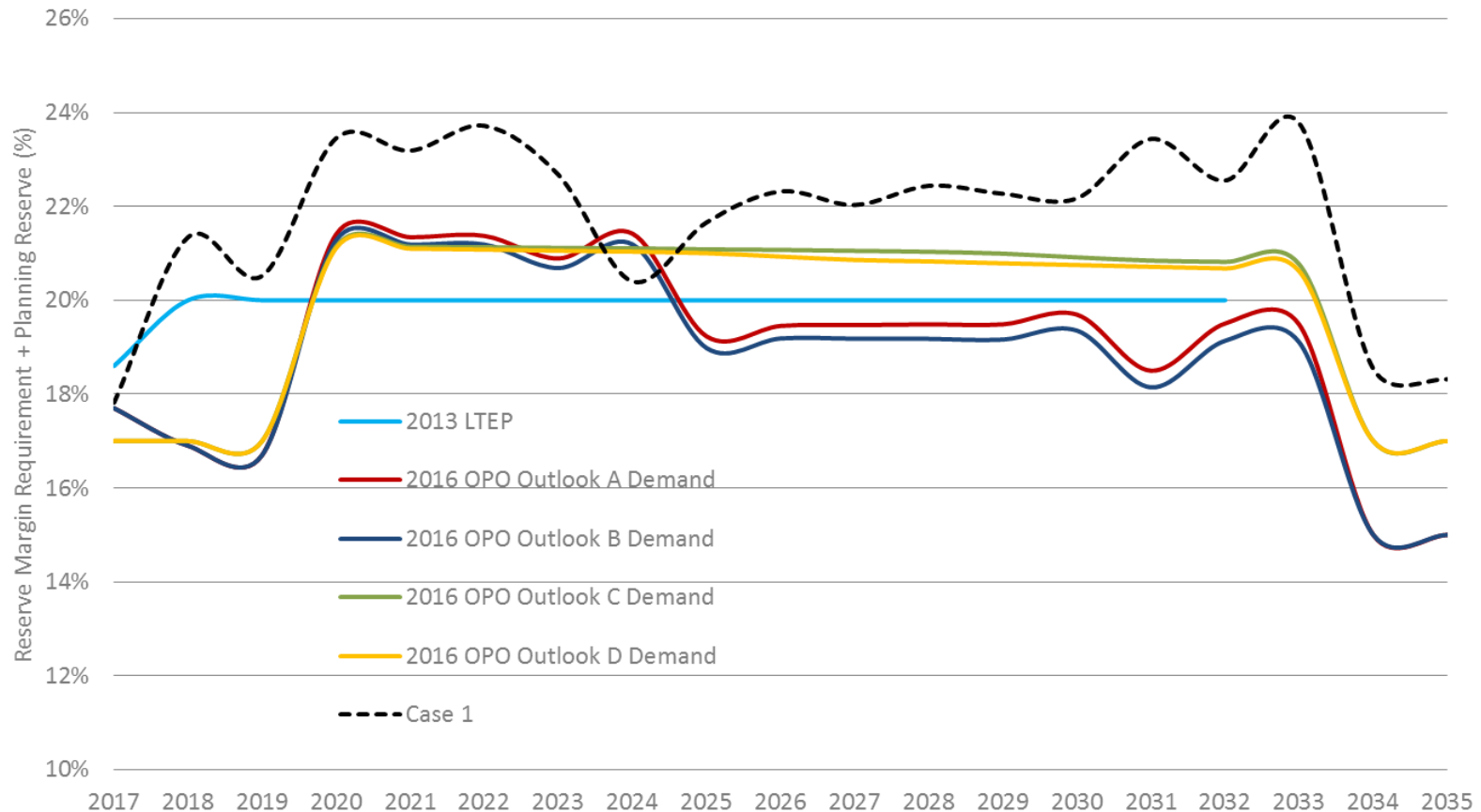
Likewise, projected summer peaks are higher in the near term in comparison to 2013 LTEP, but lower in the long term



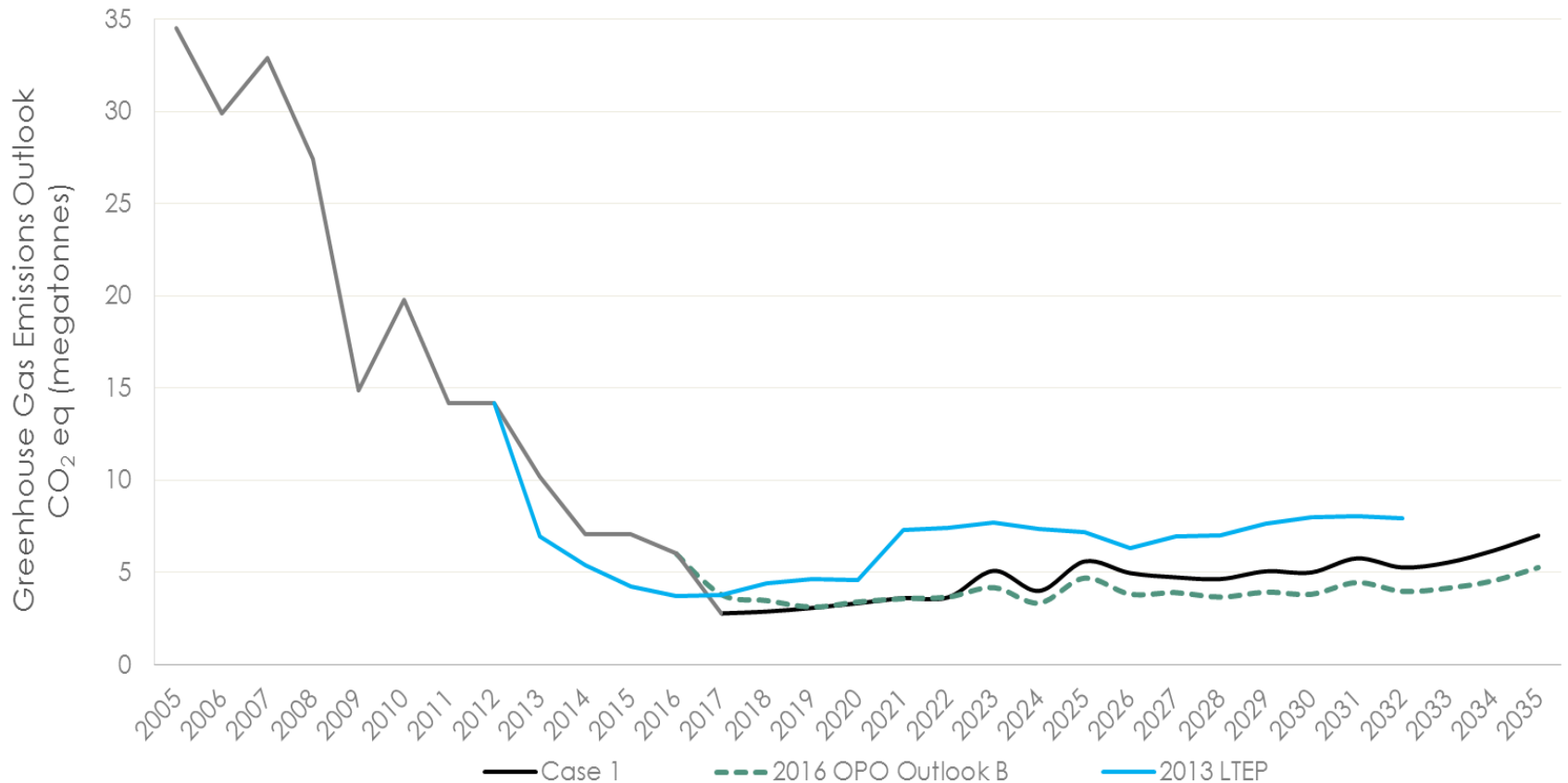
Case 1 installed capacity would be about 40 GW over the planning outlook if all existing and planned resources remained available. Some net supply reductions would take place during the nuclear refurbishment period in the mid-2020s.



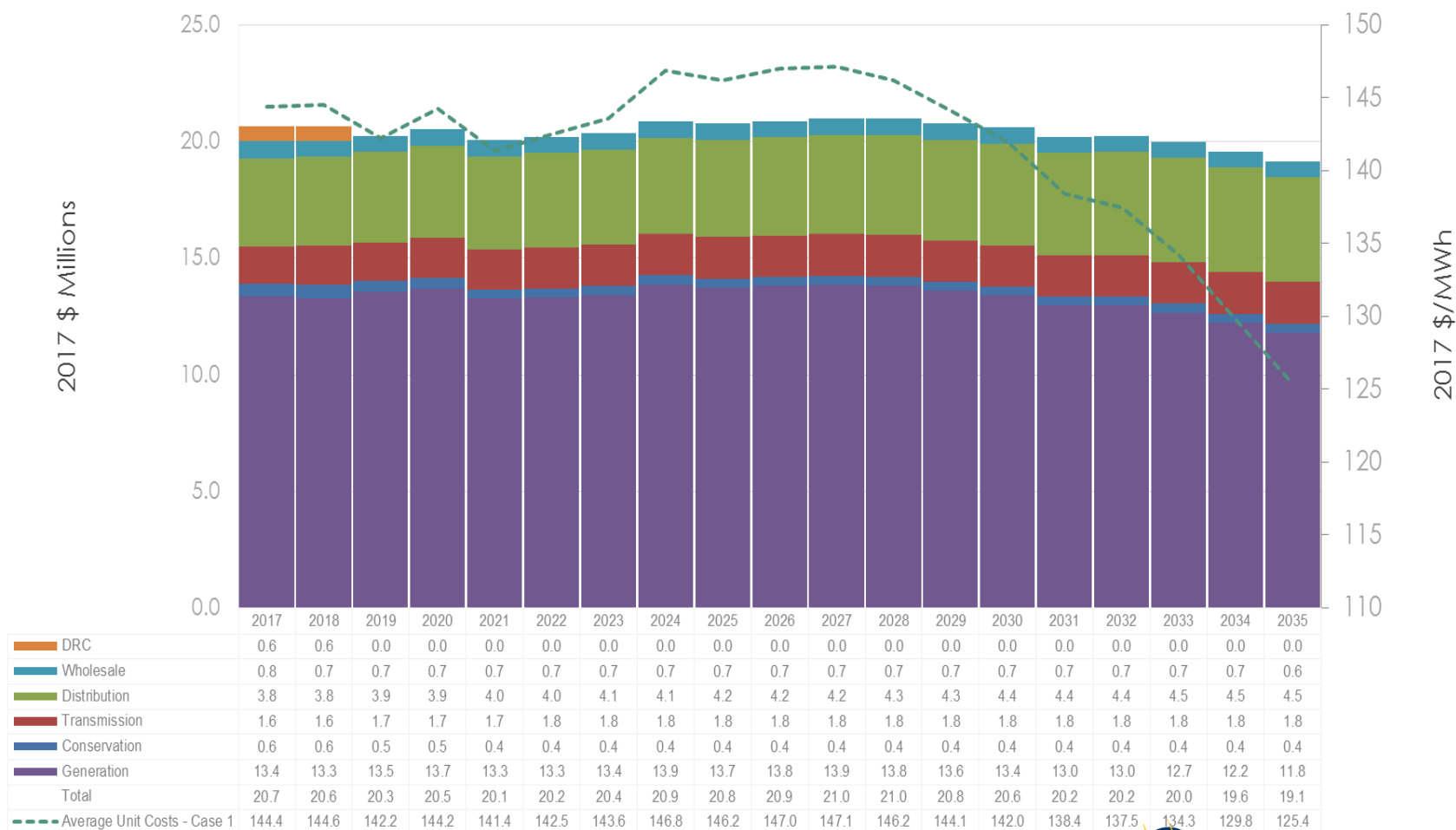
Case 1 and 2016 OPO include a 1,000 MW planning reserve from 2020-2033 to cover the risk nuclear refurbishment delays and performance decline due to an ageing generation fleet. The planning reserve was not reflected in the 2013 LTEP. The planning reserve and reserve margin requirement are combined below for a total reserve margin.



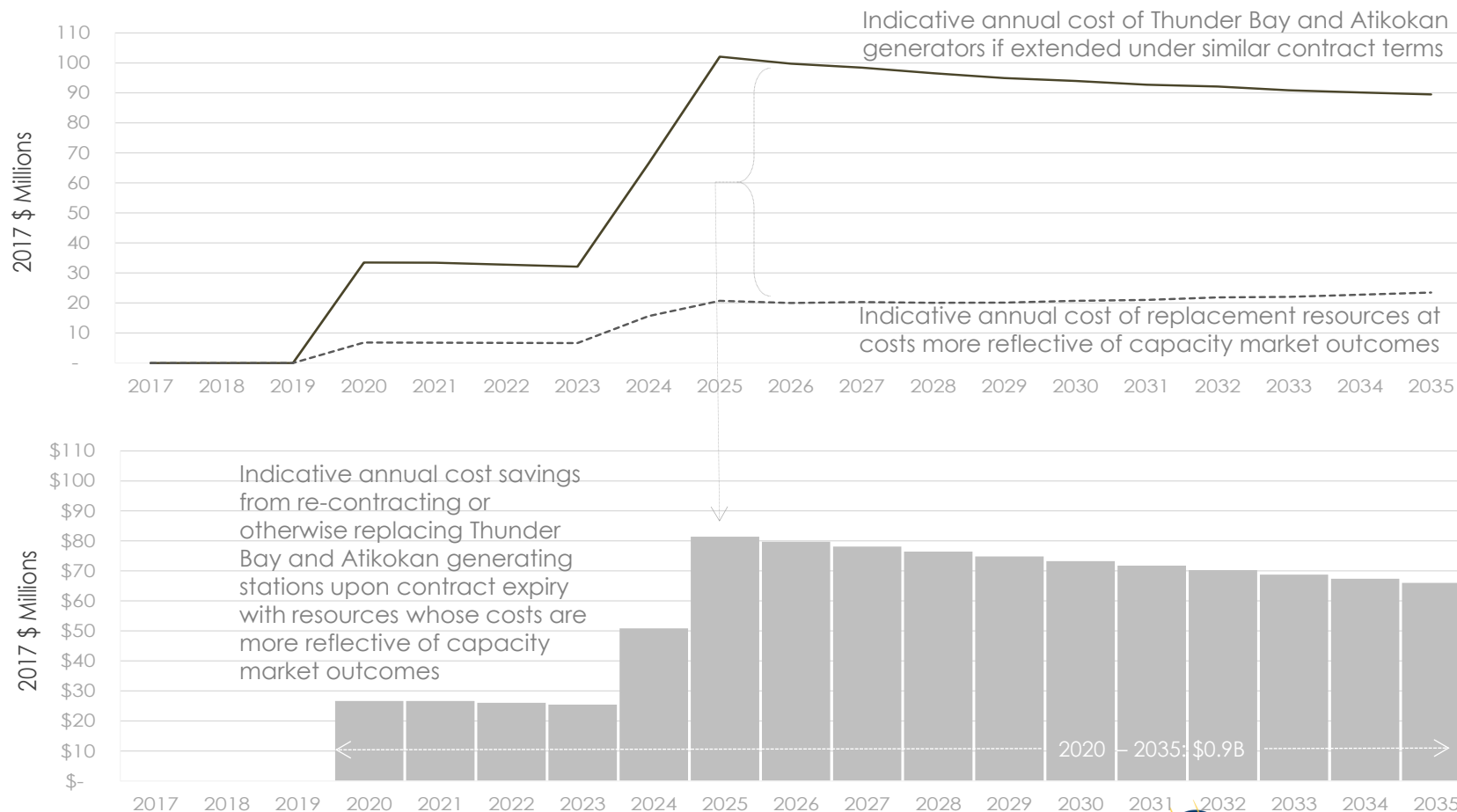
Under Case 1, electricity sector carbon dioxide emissions by 2035 would remain at levels comparable to those seen in recent years. Emissions outlooks are lower than the 2013 LTEP due to the Pickering extension in the early 2020's and decreased demand in the late 2020's.



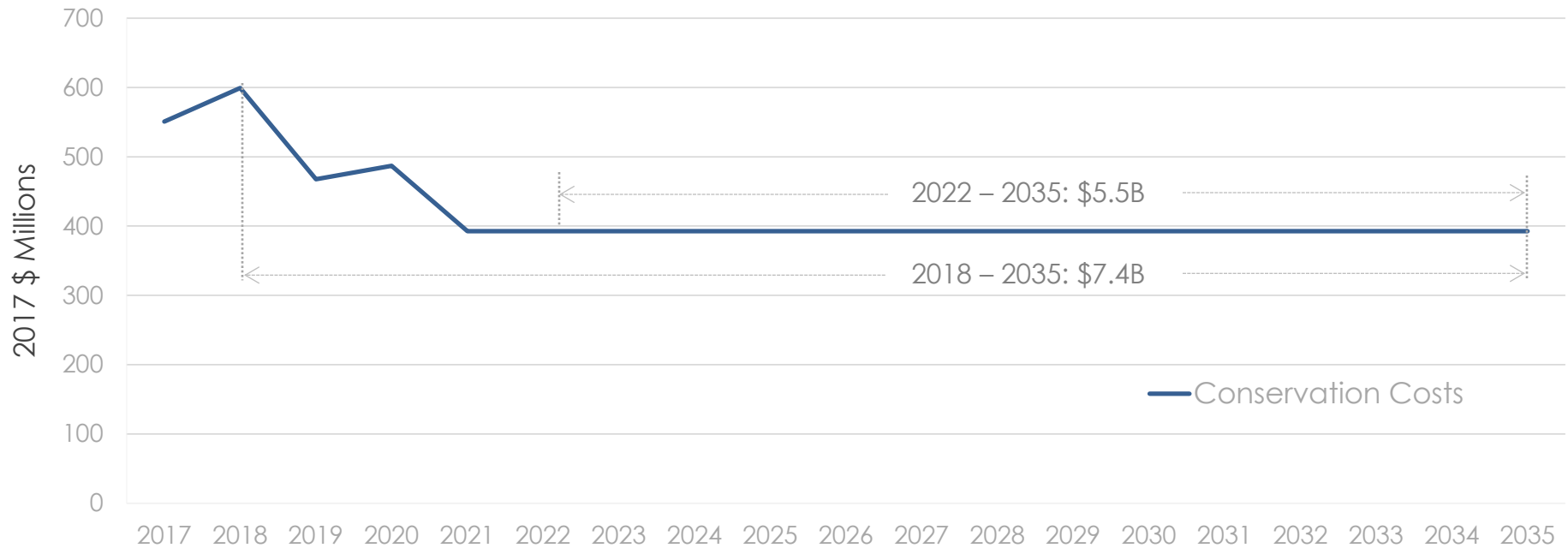
Case 1: Total Cost of Electricity Service is flat in real terms and declines in later years as existing contracts expire and new capacity requirements are obtained via a capacity market at costs that reflect the value of these assets and their existing physical infrastructure. The average unit cost of generation declines in real terms starting in 2027.



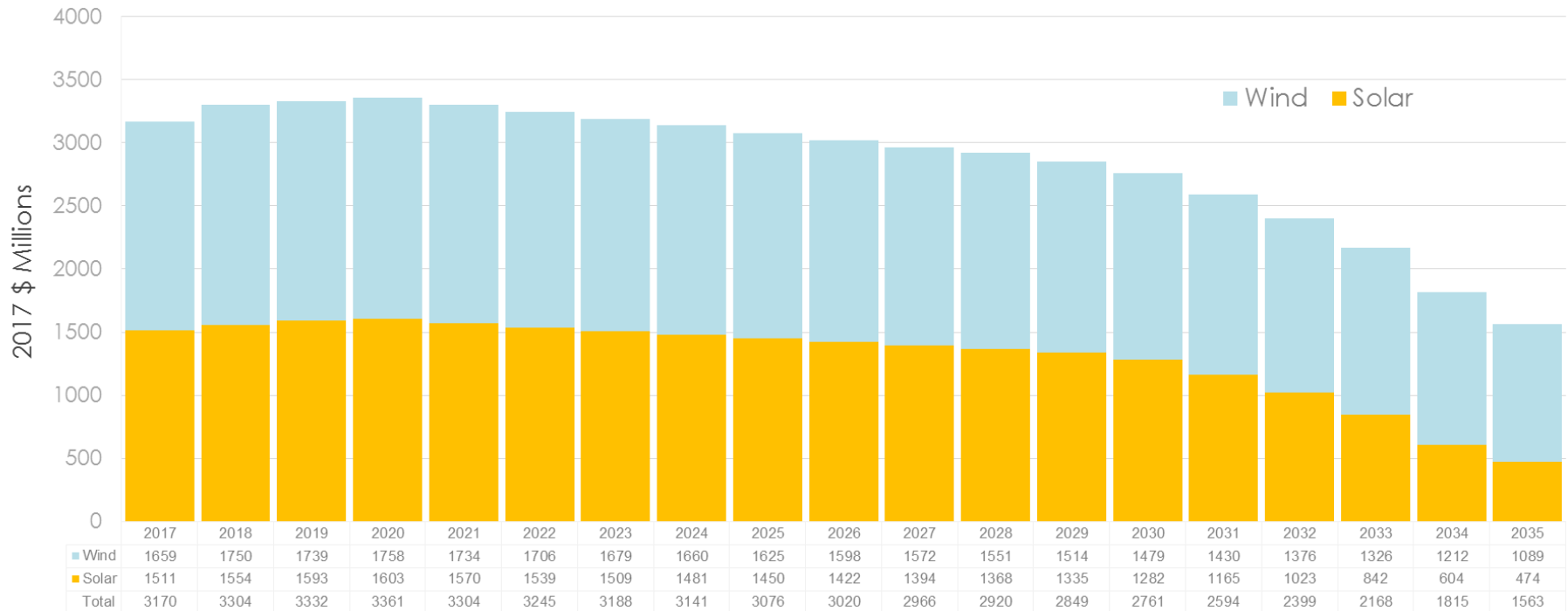
Case 2: At current contract rates, the Thunder Bay and Atikokan generating stations would cost between \$30 Million and \$100 Million per year between 2020 and 2035 if existing contracts were extended. If they were re-contracted or otherwise replaced at rates equal to an existing SCGT facility (i.e. more reflective of a capacity market cost outcome), cumulative savings of over \$900 Million might be achieved.



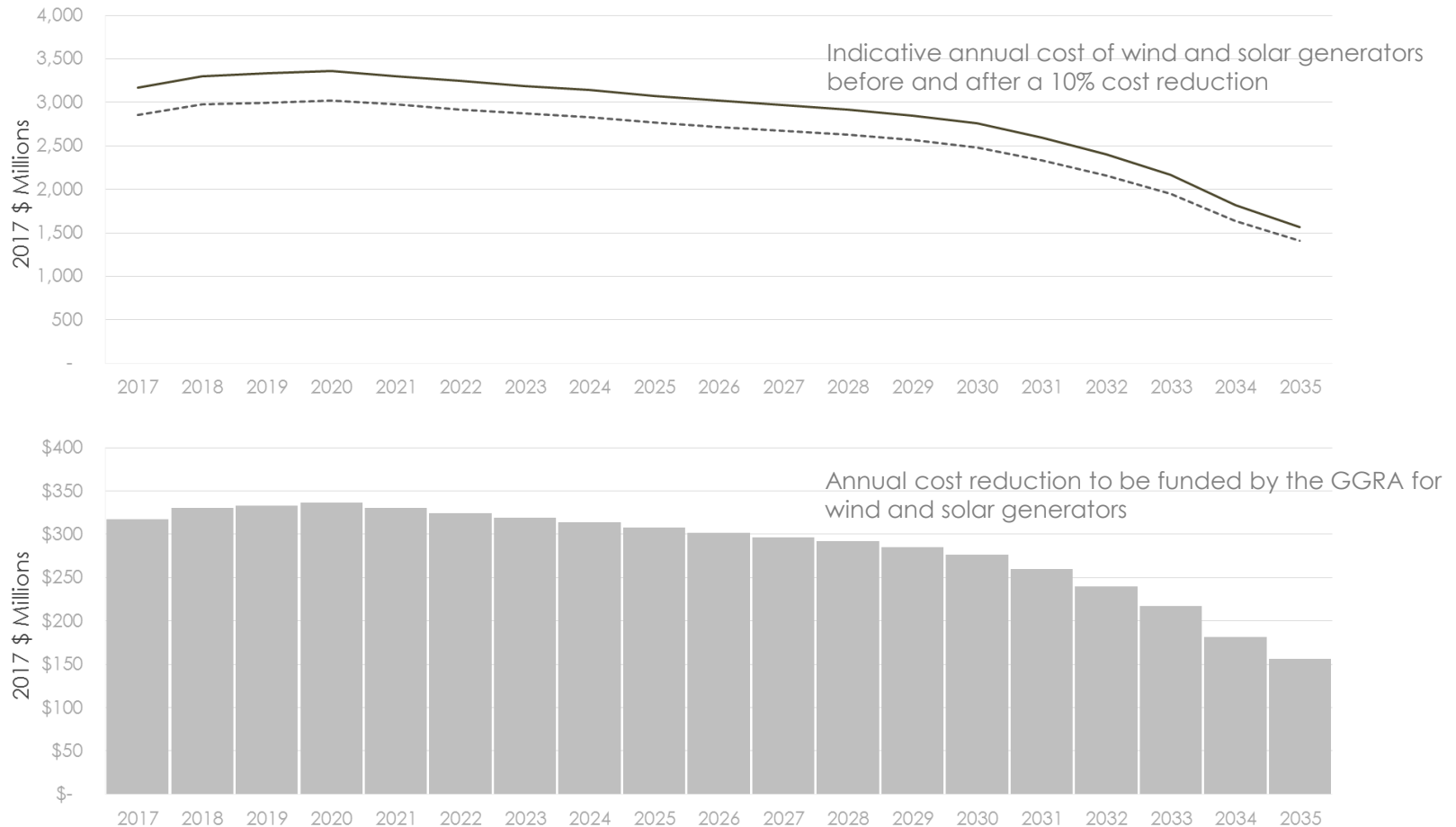
Case 3: Base case conservation costs are approximately \$400M/year between 2021 and 2035. A total of about \$7.4 B (2017\$) could be shifted away from electricity ratepayers if conservation costs were funded by the GGRA starting in 2018.



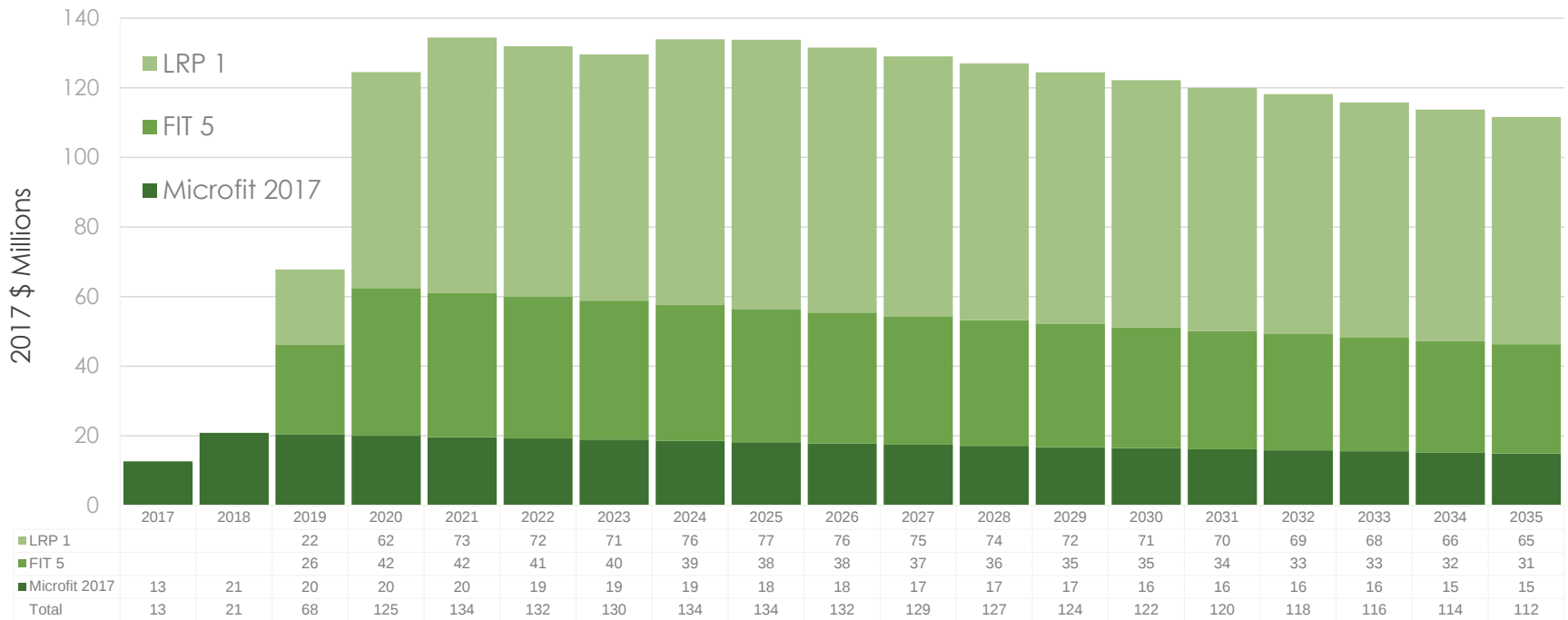
Case 4: The total cost of wind and solar in Ontario is projected to range between \$1.6 billion and \$3.4 billion per year, for a cumulative total of approximately \$54 billion by 2035. Shifting 10% of these costs to something like a GGRA would represent an average annual reduction of \$285 million to electricity ratepayer costs.



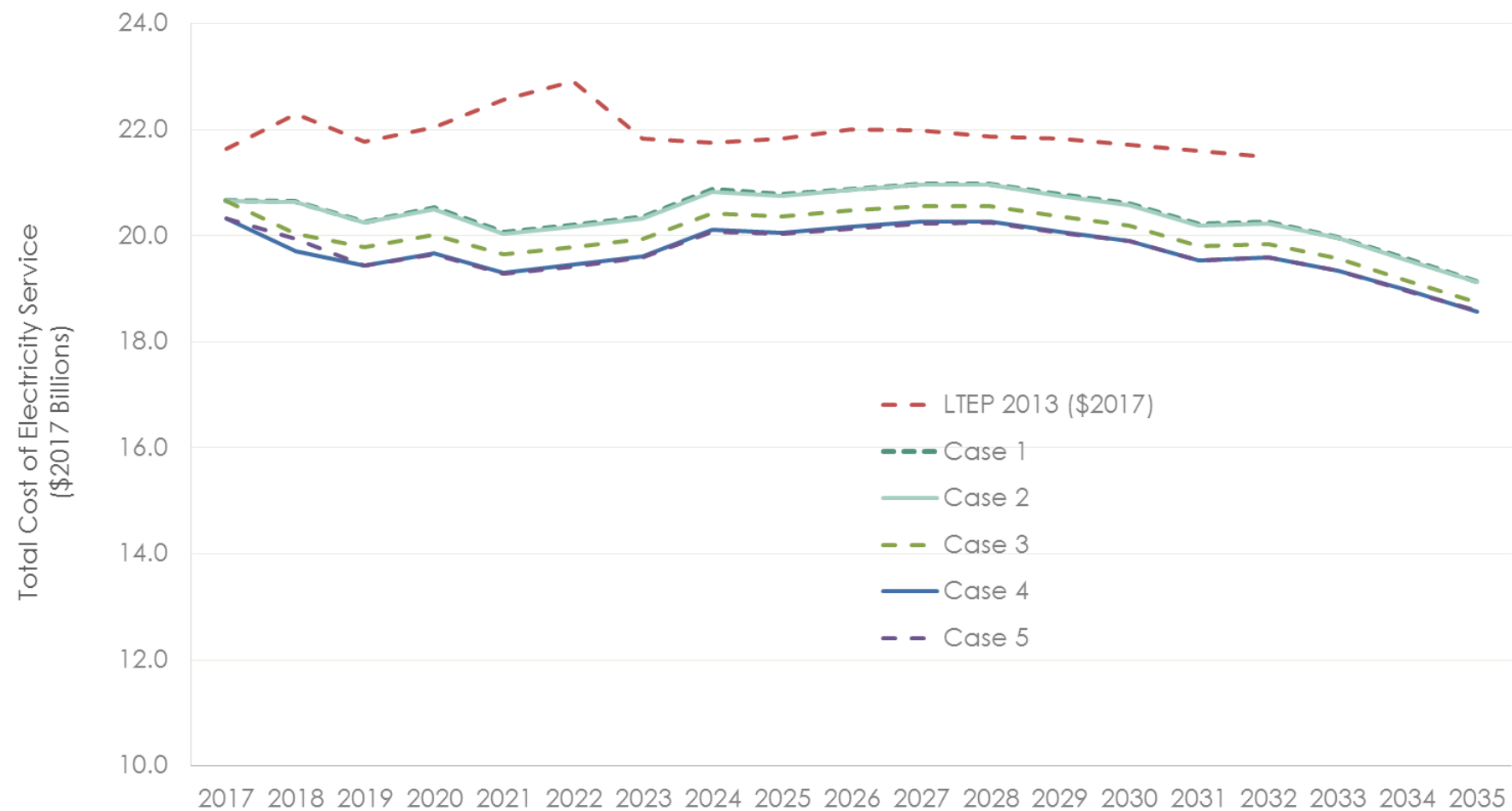
Case 4: The first figure below depicts the net difference in total annual costs of wind and solar before and after a 10% cost reduction. The funding amount required from the GGRA to decrease these annual costs would range between \$150 Million and \$350 Million per year.



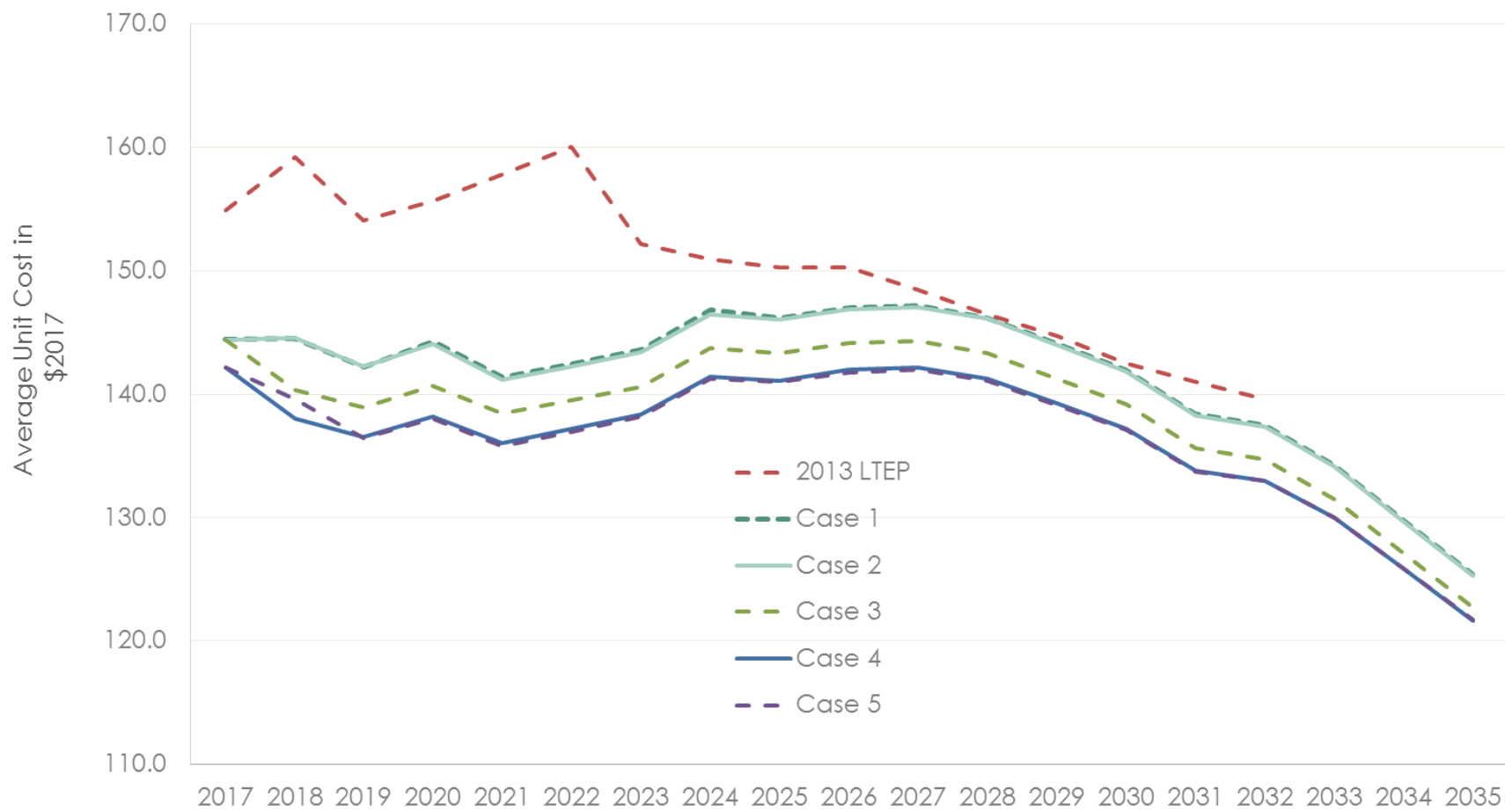
Case 5: MicroFit 2017, FIT 5 and LRP 1 would together cost more than \$100 million per year starting in 2020, or approximately \$1.5 billion cumulatively



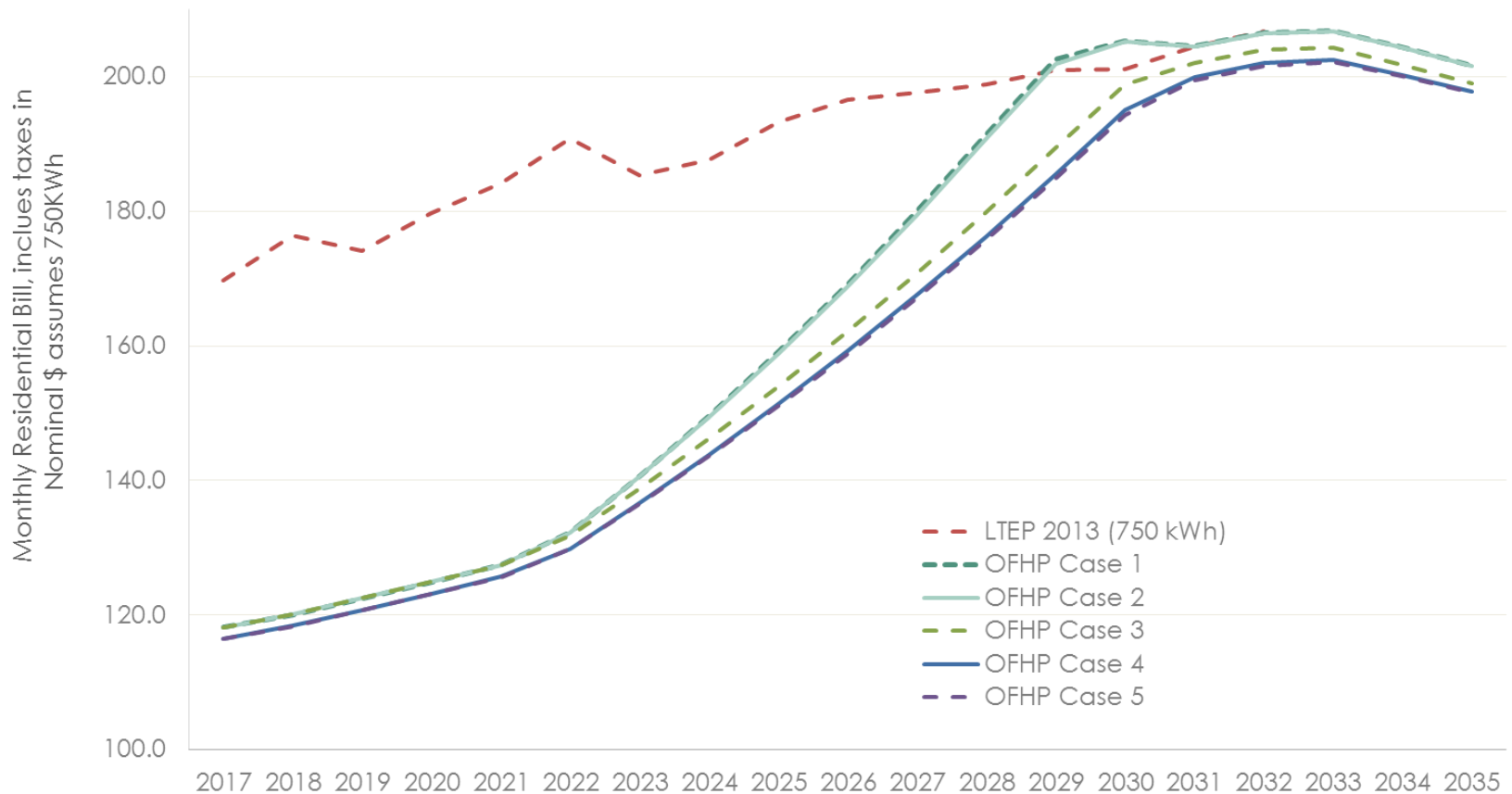
Total Costs: For the highest total cost case, Case 1, the annual total cost is lower than the 2013 LTEP by \$0.9 billion to \$2.7 billion. The difference in annual costs between case 1 and 5 range between \$300 million to \$900 million over the planning period.



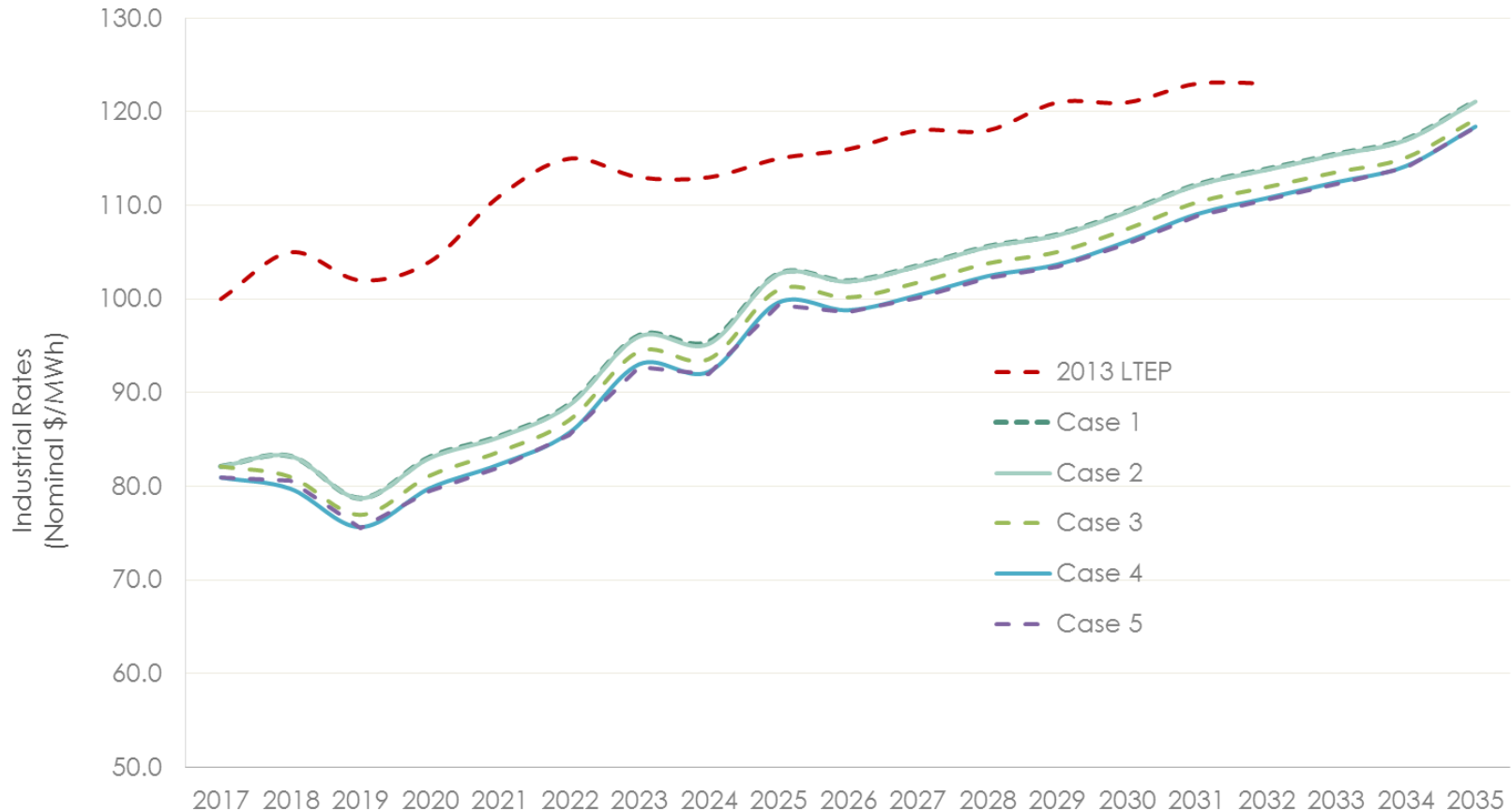
Average Unit Cost: For all cases, the annual average unit cost declines in real terms by 17% over the period due to increased demand and cost assumptions that decline in real terms. Cases 1 through 5 are less than the 2013 LTEP by approximately \$2 to \$6 per MWh by 2032, and decline markedly afterwards. The difference in average unit costs between case 1 and 5 is approximately \$5 per MWh.



Monthly Residential Bills: For all cases with the OFHP, the 2017 monthly residential bill is approximately \$117 dollars, which is lower than the 2013 LTEP by \$53 dollars. Monthly residential bills increase between 5.3% to 6.3% year-over-year between 2022 and 2028. Residential bills will stabilize after reaching max debt. Cases 1 and 2 will be higher than the LTEP by \$1 to \$4 dollars for years 2029 and 2030. Cases 3 to 5 will be lower than the LTEP by \$5 by the end of the forecast.



Industrial Rates: For the highest case, Case 1, industrial rates are lower than 2013 LTEP projections by between \$9 and \$26 dollars per MWh. The difference between Case 1 and 5 ranges between \$1 to \$4 dollars per MWh.



Year-over-year rate increases over the planning horizon given different OFHP forecasts: Depending on the Case examined, lower costs result in a lower year-over-year increase in residential monthly bills after 2022. Lower cost forecasts also reach max debt later in the planning period and have lower total financing costs (interest plus debt borrowed). Once max debt is reached, monthly bills begin to stabilize with lower year-over-year increases

YoY Rate Increase for OFHP Forecast	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035
Ministry Cabinet Briefing Base Case		1.6%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	3.9%	6.4%	6.4%	6.4%	6.4%	6.4%	6.4%	4.0%	1.1%	1.3%	1.2%	1.0%	0.5%	-1.1%
OFHP Case 1		1.6%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	3.8%	6.3%	6.3%	6.3%	6.3%	6.3%	6.3%	5.9%	1.4%	-0.4%	1.0%	0.2%	-1.2%	-1.3%
OFHP Case 2		1.6%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	3.8%	6.3%	6.3%	6.3%	6.3%	6.3%	6.3%	5.9%	1.6%	-0.4%	1.0%	0.2%	-1.2%	-1.3%
OFHP Case 3		1.6%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	3.4%	5.3%	5.3%	5.3%	5.3%	5.3%	5.3%	5.3%	5.0%	1.6%	1.0%	0.1%	-1.2%	-1.4%
OFHP Case 4		1.6%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	3.3%	5.2%	5.2%	5.2%	5.2%	5.2%	5.2%	5.2%	5.1%	2.5%	1.1%	0.2%	-1.1%	-1.3%
OFHP Case 5		1.6%	2.0%	2.0%	2.0%	3.3%	5.2%	5.2%	5.2%	5.2%	5.2%	5.2%	5.2%	5.1%	2.7%	1.1%	0.3%	-1.1%	-1.2%

YoY Rate Increase for OFHP Forecast	Avg. 2023-2028	Avg. 2029-2035	Max Increase
Ministry Cabinet Briefing Base Case	6.4%	1.2%	6.4%
OFHP Case 1	6.3%	0.8%	6.3%
OFHP Case 2	6.3%	0.8%	6.3%
OFHP Case 3	5.3%	1.5%	5.3%
OFHP Case 4	5.2%	1.7%	5.2%
OFHP Case 5	5.2%	1.7%	5.2%

- For all OFHP forecasts the max year-over-year increase ranges between 5.2% to 6.3%