

QP Newsletter: QP Briefing and Queens Park Today

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Good Morning,

Please find attached the March 6, 2017 issues of QP Briefing and Queens Park Today.

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QP Briefing

Headlines

- o (P.2) The Progressive Conservatives are trying to rain all over Premier **Kathleen Wynne's** latest parade (although she *did* say she wasn't expecting a "celebration"). [According to](#)

[CP](#), the Tories want Ontario's financial accountability officer to check the Liberals' math behind their new plan to reduce electricity costs

- o (P.2) That plan, [released last Thursday](#), includes 17 per cent in new electricity savings, the government predicts. The PCs have no plan of their own yet (something the Liberals shant let them forget), so picking apart their opponent's proposal seems to be the order of the day.
- o (P.2) [Reuters reported over the weekend](#) that Hydro One was "in talks" to buy Toronto Hydro, something Mayor **John Tory** [denied](#). Total spoilsport move.
- o (P.2) Another day, another power plant owner getting paid to produce no electricity, [the Sun reports](#).
- o (P.3) A new study has found, shockingly, that people may be more open to wind turbines if they have some say in the matter and get some kind of benefit from the project, [according to CP](#). That's crazy talk!

Queens Park Today

· Leader watch

- o (P.1) On Friday, Premier **Kathleen Wynne** called Ontarians from her Queen's Park office to tell them about her new "Fair Hydro Plan." She delivered remarks at a LiUNA local meeting on Saturday morning and attended the PDAC conference opening reception a Steam Whistle Brewery on Sunday

Topics of conversation

- o (P.2) Toronto Mayor **John Tory** [says](#) Hydro One is not in talks to purchase Toronto Hydro, despite a Reuters' [report](#) that the municipal utility may be up for sale for \$3 billion.
- o (P.3) In a [report](#) on rising energy prices, Food and Beverage Ontario says even sophisticated food manufacturers like Maple Leaf Foods cannot remain competitive while they are at the whim of Ontario's "expensive, complex and unpredictable" electricity bills.

