

Re: CP - Smallbiz question

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Fine with this thx

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Thanks Craig – will go with this:

The expansion of the program to 1MW meant that 1,000 new businesses qualified, and we expect many more will qualify under the expansion to 500kW.

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I would delete "at least."

Also flag that the 1000 includes more than businesses (BPS facilities etc.) - could say "customers" if we want to be safe, but probably could use businesses in a liberal sense.

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Hey guys – spoke to Allison after the scrum, and she reiterated what she's looking for. She needs this response ASAP. I've highlighted the part that she's likely to use. Let me know if you're comfortable with

this.

Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan will provide an average of 25 per cent relief on electricity bills to as many as half a million small businesses and farms. This is the single largest rate reduction in the province's history, with rates also held to inflation for the next four years.

All customers above 1MW peak demand will qualify for the expanded Industrial Conservation Initiative, and the Fair Hydro Plan cuts the threshold in half, to 500kW, for manufacturing and greenhouse facilities. The expansion of the program to 1MW meant that 1,000 new businesses qualified, and we expect at least that many more will qualify under the expansion to 500kW. Right now there are approximately 50,000 Class B consumers, which include industrial, commercial, municipal facilities, and other types of customers. The Minister has recently visited a number of Ontario businesses, including Dynaplas in Scarborough, Plascoat in Brampton, and BWXT in Cambridge, all of which will now or already qualify.

All businesses, regardless of their size or consumption, will benefit from a 2 to 4 per cent reduction on their bills. Other programs such as Save On Energy can help businesses save on their electricity bills through energy audits and efficiency upgrades and strategies.

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Ok

From: Nekolaichuk, Colin (ENERGY)
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Def not right now. There is some doubt being cast on this.

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Edits below. Can we say Kisko Freezies or no?

Our Fair Hydro Plan will provide an average of 25 per cent relief on electricity bills to as many as half a million small businesses and farms. This is the single largest rate reduction in the province's history, with rates also held to inflation for the next four years.

Our plan also medium to large businesses by expanding the Industrial Conservation Initiative. Thanks to the expanded program, industrial, commercial and municipal customers using over 500 kW now qualify, helping them save as much as one third off their electricity bill. This is real relief for over 1,000 new businesses across the province, including manufacturers and greenhouses. The Minister has [also](#) recently visited a number of these qualifying Ontario businesses, including Dynaplas in Scarborough, Plascoat in Brampton, and BWXT in Cambridge.

All businesses, regardless of their size or consumption, will benefit from a 2 to 4 per cent reduction on their bills. Other programs such as Save On Energy can help businesses save on their electricity bills through energy audits and efficiency upgrades and strategies.

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Hi all,

Allison Jones is writing a story on the small businesses that fall in the gap between the 25% and ICI. We don't have definitive numbers on how many fall into this category, nor are they available. We'd like to send the following to Allison, before scrums if possible:

Small businesses on Time of Use billing will qualify for the 25 per cent average reduction to their electricity bills. That will include nearly half a million small businesses and farms.

Right now there are approximately 50,000 Class B consumers, which include industrial, commercial, municipal facilities, and other types of customers. All customers above 1MW peak demand will qualify for the expanded Industrial Conservation Initiative, and the Fair Hydro Plan cuts the threshold in half, to 500kW, for manufacturing and greenhouse facilities. The expansion of the program to 1MW meant that 1,000 new businesses qualified, and more will qualify under the expansion to 500kW. The Minister has recently visited a number of Ontario businesses, including Dynaplas in Scarborough, Plascoat in Brampton, and BWXT in Cambridge, all of which will now or already qualify.

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