

URGENT: Need direction on fact-check change to tomorrow's energy NR

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As you will see in the attached release, Energy's legal department has struck out "permanent" in the Premier's quote where she says "...it is why we are providing the permanent electricity cost relief Ontario's families and businesses need." The fact check say Energy's legal department has advised against the use of the word 'permanent' and recommends against using it publicly. Then Energy's Strategic, Network and Agency Policy Division made a comment that "there is no provision in the Bill to end or modify the program. Any amendments would need to be made by the Legislature. Comms must consider if that is enough to make use of the word permanent". Gillian suggests we could take the word permanent out of the quote and add a line to the body of the NR along the lines of "The proposed measures are ongoing."

We need to deliver to the Premier asap – can you please let us know how to proceed?

Thanks
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