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1. Industrial Conservation Initiative (ICI)	
The Ministry has proposed lowering the ICI threshold to 1 MW, as part of a larger suite of electricity rate mitigation measures. <u>September 12, 2016</u>: Cabinet decision on rate mitigation, including expanding ICI. <u>September 28, 2016</u>: Information related to proposed amendments to O.Reg. 429/04 (i.e., to expand ICI) posted to Regulatory Registry (RR). Comments on the RR posting are due by November 12, 2016. <u>November 18, 2016</u>: Amendments to O. Reg 429/04 to lower the ICI threshold to 1 MW and eliminate sectoral restrictions published on elaws.	Ministry to continue to explore rate mitigation as part of work/discussions on next LTEP. Ministry in preliminary discussions with the Ontario Chamber of Commerce (OCC) on proposal to provide consumer outreach/education regarding energy programs such as ICI, energy efficiency, etc.
2. Capacity Auction	
IESO released a proposed high-level design for an Ontario capacity auction. Currently, IESO is working with stakeholders on a more detailed design. IESO is tentatively targeting 2019/18/19 for the first auction, depending on projected capacity needs. Work on capacity auction to proceed as part of IESO's broader Market Renewal project. <u>October 3, 2016</u><u>December 8, 2016</u>: IESO updated DM/CoS on the benefits case of the market renewal project.	Ongoing: IESO engaging with stakeholders to develop a Market Renewal work plan and benefits analysis by late Q1 of 2017. ENERGY staff are tracking the work of the Market Renewal Working Group.

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3. Capacity Exports	
<u>August 25, 2016:</u> IESO and the New York Independent System Operator signed a memorandum of understanding that facilitates the trading of capacity from Ontario to New York. Further work on capacity exports to proceed as part of IESO's broader Market Renewal project. IESO has encouraged interested parties to come forward with proposed capacity export projects. The long-term development of capacity exports will be closely linked to IESO's efforts on Market Renewal, specifically as it relates to the design of an incremental capacity auction. October 3, 2016<u>December 8, 2016:</u> IESO updated DM/CoS on the benefits case of the market renewal project.	<u>December 5, 2016:</u> Minister's briefing on IESO market renewal. <u>Near-term (by end of 2016):</u> IESO to support specific projects to export capacity on a transitional basis <u>Long-term:</u> IESO to work on enduring solutions to support broad participation.
4. Financial Accountability Officer (FAO) Requests	
On June 20, 2016, the Ministry received a request from the Financial Accountability Officer (FAO) for information to evaluate the "market risks" associated with anticipated revenues from Darlington and Bruce refurbishments. <u>July 15, 2016:</u> IESO hosted FAO at IESO offices to review certain schedules to the ARBPRIA. <u>July, 21, 2016:</u> Ministry received a request from the FAO for information related to the cost of electricity generation in Ontario. <u>August 25, 2016:</u> FAO commentary on Home Energy Costs released (Ministry provided feedback on draft FAO commentary).	<u>Q1 of 2017 (TBC):</u> Target date for FAO final report on nuclear refurbishments. <u>2017 (TBC):</u> FAO to potentially re-engage the Ministry regarding cost of generating technologies.

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<u>September 2016</u>: IESO and OPG provided information to FAO for a follow-up request seeking additional analysis on alternatives to refurbishment and price sensitivities for performance and off-ramps. <u>September 27, 2016</u>: FAO posted second commentary on Home Energy Costs (Ministry provided feedback on draft FAO commentary). <u>November 8, 2016</u>: FAO met with Ministry staff to provide a status update. FAO has completed its review of information from OPG and IESO on nuclear refurbishments and is now in the process of drafting the report. A final report is expected by early 2017. FAO also indicated it has suspended work for the moment on the cost of electricity generation in order to focus on the refurbishment report.	
5. Darlington Refurbishment Project	
Project Status and Approvals: <u>December 2, 2015</u>: Cabinet approved OPG to proceed with refurbishing the first unit at Darlington. <u>May 27, 2016</u>: OPG filed a five-year nuclear rate application with the OEB including recovery of Darlington refurbishment costs and smoothed nuclear rates. Ministry is monitoring OEB review process. Oversight: <u>December 7, 2015</u>: IO procurement for new oversight advisor closed. MZ Consulting selected as successful proponent. <u>February 22, 2016</u>: Kick-off meeting held with Oversight Advisor and ENERGY/IO/OPG to discuss implementation of oversight structure. <u>May 17, 2016</u>: Oversight Advisor briefing for Minister accompanied by DRC Chair and OPG management.	<u>December 2, 2016</u>: OPG quarterly Darlington update for DM/CoS. <u>December 14, 2016</u>: Minister's briefing. <u>Q1 of 2017 (TBC)</u>: Target date for FAO final report on nuclear refurbishments (see item 4). <u>Mid-2017</u>: Expected OEB decision on OPG's rate application. Ministry to work with OPG to assess ratepayer and financial impacts of the decision in relation to Darlington. <u>Ongoing</u>: OPG and Oversight Advisor to update Ministry on any issues as they arise through the process.

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<u>August 4, 2016</u>: OPG project update for DM/CoS <u>August 11/12, 2016</u>: Meetings of DRC/OPG Board, including an approval of the finalized Unit 2 refurbishment budget estimate and funding release. <u>September 14, 2016</u>: OPG and Oversight Advisor briefed Minister on Darlington. <u>October 15, 2016</u>: First unit refurbishment began on Darlington unit 2 (i.e., “breaker-open”). <u>November 10, 2016</u>: DRC quarterly meeting to go over the progress of the Unit 2 refurbishment after breaker-open. <u>December 2, 2016</u>: OPG provided quarterly update on the Darlington Refurbishment Project for DM/CoS. <u>December 14, 2016</u>: OPG and Oversight Advisor briefed MO/DMO on the progress of the Darlington Refurbishment Project.	
6. Amended and Restated Bruce Power Refurbishment Implementation Agreement (ARBPRIA)	
<u>December 2, 2015</u>: ARBPRIA and amended Bruce site lease were executed. On <u>December 3, 2015</u>, ARBPRIA announcement made. <u>May 2, 2016</u>: OPG/BP briefed the Minister on status of collaboration, as requested in Minister’s letter of <u>December 4, 2015</u>. <u>May 19, 2016</u>: IESO briefed the Minister on its oversight of the ARBPRIA and recent contract price adjustments. <u>August 15, 2016</u>: Michael Rencheck started as new President and CEO of Bruce Power.	Fall 2016: OPG to finalize updated rent and waste fees charged to BP under the site lease based on 2017 ONFA Reference Plan cost estimates. <u>2016 and ongoing</u>: IESO to provide periodic updates to the Minister on BP’s progress towards first refurbishment, contract price adjustments and emerging risks in accordance with IESO’s governance framework for the ARBPRIA. <u>Q1 of 2017 (TBC)</u>: Target date for FAO final report on nuclear refurbishments (see item 4).

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<u>September 14, 2016</u>: Minister's briefing on the ARBPRIA by IESO. <u>September 16, 2016</u>: Minister's tour of Bruce site. <u>November 11, 2016</u>: OPG/BP publicly released their first collaboration report. <u>December 15, 2016</u>: OPG provided BP with updated rent and waste fees (including refurbishment waste) to be charged to BP under the site lease based on 2017 ONFA Reference Plan cost estimates. Ministry staff are also meeting monthly with IESO and Bruce Power to discuss emerging issues in implementing the ARBPRIA.	<u>2017</u>: BP to submit CNSC application for 10-year license renewal.
7. Ongoing Pickering Operation	
<u>December 16, 2015</u>: Cabinet approved OPG's plan to seek the necessary regulatory approvals from the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) and Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) to enable ongoing operation of the Pickering Generating Station up to 2024. <u>May 27, 2016</u>: OPG filed a five-year nuclear rate application with the OEB including recovery of costs to enable ongoing Pickering operation. <u>June 23, 2016</u>: OPG provided an update to DM/CoS on the status of activities to enable ongoing Pickering operation. <u>September 14, 2016</u>: Minister's briefing on Pickering by OPG.	<u>Q1-Q2 2017 2016/17</u>: OPG to continue work with OEB and CNSC regarding ongoing Pickering operation to 2024. <u>Q1 of 2017</u>: OPG to complete technical assessments to support business case for OPG Board approval of ongoing Pickering operation. <u>Q1 of 2017 (TBD)</u>: Ongoing Pickering operation to be included in 2017 LTEP submission to Cabinet. <u>Q2 of 2017 (TBD)</u>: OPG to submit licence renewal application to CNSC. <u>2018 (TBD)</u>: Report back to Cabinet for final approval once OPG has received licence renewal from CNSC.

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8. OPG's Low and Intermediate Level Waste (LILW) Deep Geological Repository (DGR) Proposal	
<u>February 18, 2016</u>: The federal minister requested that OPG provide additional information on three aspects of the environmental assessment: (1) alternative locations for the project, (2) cumulative environmental effects of the project and (3) an updated list of mitigation commitments for each identified adverse effect under the <i>Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012</i>. <u>April 15, 2016</u>: OPG submitted a plan to Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEAA) to complete the additional studies by December 31, 2016. <u>May 10, 2016</u>: OPG updated the DM/CoS on DGR communications, outreach strategy and potential approaches to "post submission" review by the federal government. <u>June 1, 2016</u>: Minister of Energy wrote to Federal Minister of Environment and Climate Change outlining the Ministry's recommended approach to a "post submission" review process of the additional studies. <u>September 7, 2016</u>: CEAA responded to OPG indicating it will conduct an open and transparent review of the additional studies with assistance from federal authorities including the CNSC. The Joint Review Panel will not be re-engaged. <u>September 23, 2016</u>: OPG updated the DM/CoS on the CEAA response, preliminary findings of the additional studies, and communications/stakeholder engagement. December 6, 2016: OPG updated the DM/CoS on its draft submission, impacts on cost and scheduling for selecting an alternate site, and	<u>December 6, 2016</u>: OPG to brief DM/CoS on DGR update. <u>November/December 2016</u>: OPG expects to have its review of additional studies completed by a third party (international expert). <u>December 2016</u>: OPG expects to submit additional studies to the federal minister. <u>Q1/2 of August 2017</u>: OPG expects a Expected decision from the federal minister (Note: Timing reflects OPG's proposed approach for the "post submission" review process of the additional studies). <u>Ongoing</u>: ENERGY monitoring.

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overall project schedule. <u>December 12, 2016</u>: Federal Government extended the time limit for the issuance of the decision statement by 243 days. This would appear to confirm OPG's expectation for a federal decision by end of August 2017.	
9. Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) DGR Proposal for High Level Nuclear Waste	
Nine Ontario sites remain in the NWMO DGR site selection process. All sites have now completed desktop studies and community engagement in the selection process. Eight Ontario sites have moved forward with advanced technical and social assessments while Central Huron's next phase is anticipated to be initiated pending confirmation of a path forward with the community. NWMO is proposing to select a site in 2023 and have its DGR in service sometime between 2040 and 2045 (revised from previous estimate of 2035). NWMO recently updated their cost estimate to \$22.8 billion over the lifetime of the project (revised from previous estimate of \$16-\$24 billion). MNRF indicates that provincial permits/licenses are inapplicable to NWMO's site assessment work (e.g., borehole drilling). MNRF will instead impose conditions as the owner of Crown land and provide guidance on typical requirements on private land (southern parcels). Ministry staff will monitor. <u>October, 2016</u>: Laurie Swami named as new President and CEO, effective <u>November 14, 2016</u>. <u>October 4, 2016</u>: MO briefed by the Ministry on MNRF approach.	<u>Early 2017</u>: MNRF and NWMO to establish a framework (i.e., MOU) for their working relationship as NWMO seeks to access Ontario sites for preliminary geological testing. <u>2017</u>: NWMO expected to initiate preliminary geological testing (i.e., borehole drilling) at a few select sites in Ontario. Note: Sites in or near Ignace are anticipated as the first sites for preliminary geological testing. <u>Ongoing</u>: Ministry continues to monitor NWMO process including MNRF arrangements with NWMO related to borehole drilling.

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<u>October 6, 2016</u>: MO meeting with PO, MNRF and NWMO on MNRF approach. <u>October 24, 2016</u>: MNRF letter to NWMO to communicate Ontario's position and approach for NWMO site assessment work. <u>November 14, 2016</u>: Minister's meeting with NWMO.	
10. NRCan GoCo Model/CNEA Engagement	
In 2013, the federal government announced its intention to transition the Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL) to a government-owned contractor-operated entity ("GoCo"). <u>June 25, 2015</u>: the federal government announced that the Canadian National Energy Alliance (CNEA) is the preferred bidder. <u>September 13, 2015</u>: GoCo model was implemented through a long-term contract with CNEA to manage and operate CNL. CNEA prepared a 6-month transition plan. <u>May 31, 2016</u>: the Ministry met with SNC-Lavalin, one of the CNEA Consortium members, to discuss CNEA's 10-year strategy for CNL and the potential for replacing the National Research Universal (NRU) reactor facility with a multi-purpose research reactor to be funded privately. <u>September 22, 2016</u>: Ministry staff met with AECL to discuss the GoCo model from a contract oversight perspective. Ministry has reached out to CNEA for further engagement. The CNEA will continue to operate the NRU facility until October	Fall 2016 Winter 2017 (TBC): Ministry to meet with CNEA. Fall 2016 Winter 2017 (TBC): Minister's briefing on nuclear innovation and expertise in Ontario, including CNL transformation (GoCo model and CNEA strategic plan).

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11. Cap and Trade	
<u>July 1, 2016:</u> Climate Change Mitigation and Low-Carbon Economy Act, 2016 comes into effect. The Act establishes Ontario's emissions targets and provides the legal basis of Ontario's cap and trade program. Note: Cap and trade regulation and guideline also in effect this day. <u>June 8, 2016:</u> MOECC publicly released its five-year Climate Change Action Plan (CCAP). The CCAP outlines how cap and trade auction proceeds are to be used in the first compliance period (2017-20) to fund actions to reduce GHG emissions. Note: On May 11th, 2016, Cabinet approved MOECC's CCAP cabinet minute. The CCAP cabinet minute stipulates that MOECC and partner ministries are to report back to Cabinet/TB throughout late 2016-17 with recommended approaches for delivering various CCAP items. <u>July 28, 2016:</u> OEB issued an early determination to include cap and trade billing costs in the Delivery component of natural gas bills. <u>September 12, 2016:</u> Cabinet decision on rate mitigation, including recycling cap and trade proceeds for commercial and industrial consumers to meet the 2016 Budget and CCAP commitments. <u>September 26, 2016:</u> OEB issues its <i>Regulatory Framework for the Assessment of Costs of Natural Gas Utilities' Cap and Trade Activities</i>. <u>October 14, 2016 and November 2, 2016:</u> DM and SoC briefings on the options for proceeds recycling.	Cap and Trade (Ongoing): MOECC continues to work with Ministry, IESO and OEB on cap and trade design elements, CCAP, use of auction proceeds, electricity sector analysis, electricity imports and regulatory framework for natural gas suppliers, the treatment of CHP and engaging with stakeholders. <u>November 24, 2016:</u> The OEB issued an interim rate order approving the natural gas utilities initial Compliance Plans for 2017 and Q1 of 2017: the OEB will hold a hearing of the natural gas utilities one-year Compliance Plan applications in a combined proceeding. likely commencing in Q1 of 2017. - The one-year period will provide the utilities with an opportunity to become familiar with the OEB's Regulatory Framework and fine tune their cap and trade compliance estimates for the subsequent compliance plans. Note: The Compliance Plans will determine the rate impact for natural gas customers. The OEB will review these compliance plans and set interim rates for recovery of cap and trade costs within the next few weeks. Natural gas utilities, such as Enbridge and Union, are expected to provide notice to customers on the interim rate in late November/early December. Note: Interim rates will come into effect on January 1, 2017. January (TBC) December 13, 2016: ENERGY to go to LRC with an Order in Council (OIC) to direct the OEB to amend the licenses of LDCs

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<u>November 21, 2016</u>: DM and CoS briefing on implementation steps for proceeds recycling. <u>November 24, 2016</u>: The OEB issued an interim rate order approving cap and trade interim rates to come into effect on January 1, 2017. <u>November 28, 2016</u>: Minister's briefing <u>December 9, 2016</u>: First Minister's met to finalize the Pan-Canadian Framework of Clean Growth and Climate Change. <u>December 2016</u>: Minister's letter to Ontario Energy Board (OEB) regarding renewable natural gas implementation (RNG).	and IESO in order for LDCs and IESO to receive funds from the GGRA and implement proceeds recycling. <u>December 14, 2016</u>: Cabinet <u>January 1, 2017</u>: Cap and trade program begins. Climate Change Action Plan (Ongoing): <u>Fall/Winter 2016</u>: ENERGY work with MOECC on the PRRT process for assessing initiatives for GGRA funding and MOECC Minister evaluation. Meetings with MOECC on a biweekly basis.
12. Proposed Environment Canada Regulation	
<u>Late 2014</u>: Environment Canada (EC) raised the possibility of a regulation on the emissions from new natural gas-fired generation and gas conversions with ENERGY and MOECC. <u>May 15, 2015</u>: Environment Canada announced the commitment of reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions by 30% below 2005 levels by 2030, and the development of new regulations for new natural gas-fired electricity generators. <u>June 16, 2015</u>: ENERGY sent letter to former federal Minister requesting update on next steps from EC. <u>March 21, 2016</u>: A letter was sent to the federal environment minister seeking an update on the status of the proposed regulations.	Ministry continues to monitor for federal government response to letter sent March 21, 2016.

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13. Energy East and the Eastern Mainline Pipeline Projects (collectively EE)	
<u>April 20, 2016</u>: Cabinet agreed to ENERGY's proposed Initial Strategic Framework (ISF) approach, which could include intervention at the NEB, engagement with TransCanada and engagement in intergovernmental forums. <u>May 17, 2016</u>: TransCanada filed its consolidated application. <u>June 16, 2016</u>: The NEB announced that TransCanada's Energy East application is complete. <u>July 20, 2016</u>: NEB issued hearing order for Energy East. <u>August 15 and 23, 2016</u>: Respectively, Algonquin to Adirondacks Collaborative (A2A) and Aroland First Nation filed motions requesting revisions to the scope of the NEB's environmental review (i.e., concerning treatment of electricity transmission connections and other matters). On <u>August 24, 2016</u>, the NEB determined it will establish a written process to consider the motions. <u>September 7, 2016</u>: Ministry of Energy's external counsel filed a response to the A2A and Aroland motions on the scope of the NEB's environmental review. <u>September 9, 2016</u>: NEB advised that the three (3) members of the Panel reviewing Energy East voluntarily recused themselves. The NEB review process for Energy East is adjourned until a new panel is appointed. <u>October 20, 2016</u>: Federal government announced the appointment of four (4) temporary members to the NEB, for potential assignment	<u>Energy East Process</u> : Ongoing implementation of Initial Strategic Framework: - ENERGY experts continue to review TransCanada application; - ENERGY to prepare for NEB hearings, including initial development of Information Requests (IRs); - ENERGY to prepare approach/materials in support of engagement with TransCanada; - ENERGY to continue to engage with Quebec and other governments; and - ENERGY to continue to engage with other ministries. <u>Q1 of 2017</u>: It is expected that the federal government will have completed its appointment of new NEB members and the Energy East proceeding will restart. Details on next steps are expected to be announced at that time. <u>December 2016 (TBD)</u>: NEB to issue its findings on the motions regarding the scope of the NEB's environmental review. <u>Fall 2016 – Spring 2017 (TBC)</u>: NEB public consultations (Note: This is a new process). <u>January – April 2017 (TBC)</u>: Written portion of NEB proceeding. <u>June – August 2017 (TBC)</u>: Oral hearing: Cross examination. <u>September – October 2017 (TBC)</u>: Draft conditions and Comments process. <u>October – November 2017 (TBC)</u>: Final Argument.

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by the NEB to carry out community and Indigenous engagement along the Energy East route. <u>October 20, 2016</u>: Minister was provided with an update in Energy East. <u>November 1, 2016</u>: TransCanada briefed CoS on Mainline Open Season, which concludes November 10, 2016. <u>November 18, 2016</u>: Federal government announced the appointment of the acting Chair and alternate for the Energy East application. ENERGY continues to work with consultants to analyze issues related to pipeline safety, environmental protection, natural gas impacts and economic impacts. ENERGY has established an Energy East directors technical working group. <u>December 13, 2017</u>: Deputy /CoS update on Energy East.	March 2018: NEB issues report to federal government. September 2018: Federal government to issue decision.
14. Enbridge Line 10	
<u>December 4, 2015</u>: Enbridge filed its Line 10 application with the NEB. <u>February 17, 2016</u>: NEB issued its Hearing Order outlining the regulatory process for Line 10. <u>March 9, 2016</u>: ENERGY applied to participate in the regulatory process for Line 10 as an intervener. On April 4th, 2016, NEB granted ENERGY intervener status. Note: This filing did not commit ENERGY to participate in the Line 10 hearing process; it simply allowed ENERGY	<u>Ongoing</u>: ENERGY continues to monitor for any new developments. <u>May 17, 2017</u>: NEB's Decision deadline for Line 10.

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to maintain its option to participate in the future. <u>May – July, 2016</u>: Written hearing process (information requests to and responses from Enbridge). Filing of intervenor evidence. Ontario monitored. <u>June 28, 2016</u>: Community Meeting in Hamilton. <u>October 19, 2016</u>: Oral hearing concluded in Hamilton. Ontario monitored. The NEB is now deliberating.	
15. Canadian Energy Strategy (CES)	
<u>July 17, 2015</u>: Premiers approved and released CES at the 2015 Council of the Federation meeting in Newfoundland and Labrador. From summer 2015 to summer 2016, Ontario worked with PTs to implement CES initiatives and explore options to engage federal government. <u>July 22, 2016</u>: Provinces and Territories updated Premiers on progress made under CES. Premiers provided direction on future areas for CES implementation, including areas for federal collaboration, and directed Ministers to report back on their implementation work with the federal government in advance of the Fall 2016 First Ministers' meeting. <u>August 8, 2016</u>: DM/CoS briefing on CES. <u>August 23, 2016</u>: EMMC Communiqué indicated that the PT Ministers welcome collaboration of the federal government on CES work in the areas of: <i>energy efficiency, energy technology / innovation, energy delivery and reducing diesel use in remote communities</i>, to contribute	<u>Ongoing 2016</u>: ENERGY to continue to participate in CES working groups. Further direction regarding next steps for CES expected to come from CO-MIA. Nov<u>December 5, 2016 (TBC)</u>: Manitoba Energy Minister sent an email will prepared a cover letter addressed to CES Co-chair Premiers and attached to submit the Report on CES collaboration for review by Premiers at Fall 2016 COF. (Note: FPT Energy Ministers and all Premiers were will be cc'd). Nov<u>December 2016 (TBC)</u>: The CES Secretariat will worked in coordination with NRCan and Intergovernmental Affairs to submit the Report on CES collaboration for review by First Ministers at their Fall 2016 meeting scheduled for December 8 and 9, 2016. Discussions continue with MIA-CO regarding expectations with respect to linkages between the CES work/deliverables and the PCF process.

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to developing the First Ministers' Pan-Canadian Framework on Climate Change (PCF). <u>November 2, 2016</u>: DMs' teleconference (hosted by NRCan) to review and provide final comments on draft Report on CES collaboration and work with the federal government that can support the First Ministers' PCF. <u>November 21, 2016</u>: Minister's briefing on CES <u>November 21, 2016</u>: CES Secretariat hosted an FPT ADMs' teleconference to confirm DMs had finalized the CES report, and discuss approach to delivery to Premiers and Energy Ministers. CES work for delivery to Premiers in 2017, PT Energy Ministers' table and Stakeholder engagement on CES were also discussed. <u>November 28, 2016</u>: Minister's call with NRCan. Affirmed approach to submit CES Report on Collaboration to Premiers and received update on Pan-Canadian Framework.	
16. EMMC and Inter-Provincial Update	
The 2016 Energy and Mines Ministers Conference (EMMC) was held August 21–23, 2016 in Winnipeg, MB. <u>June 8–9, 2016</u>: Public confidence workshop in Winnipeg, MB. ENERGY staff attended. <u>August 23, 2016</u>: Following EMMC, FPT Energy Ministers issued a communiqué. <u>November 2, 2016</u>: NRCan held DMs' call (joint with Mines) to approve proposed areas of collective action towards EMMC 2017.	The 2017 Energy and Mines Ministers Conference (EMMC) will be held August 27–30, 2017 in St. Andrews, NB. <u>December 13-14, 2016</u>: ADMs have been asked to hold the date for an in-person meeting in Toronto to finalize the EMMC 2017 working group deliverables and workplans.

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(Note: On the same call DMs reviewed draft CES Report). <u>November 21, 2016:</u> Minister's briefing on EMMC and Interprovincial Energy Issues. <u>November 21, 2016:</u> NRCan hosted Energy ADMs' call to discuss the Energy Ministers' Call on CES (Nov 28) and preparations for delivery of the CES report to Energy Ministers, Premiers and First Ministers. ADMs also reviewed draft EMMC work plans and critical path for EMMC 2017 and discussed timing for an in-person ADMs' meeting in Toronto. <u>November 28, 2016:</u> Minister's call with NRCan. Affirmed approach to submit CES Report on Collaboration to Premiers and received update on Pan-Canadian Framework.	
17. Ontario – Newfoundland and Labrador Working Group	
At the July 2015 EMMC, a finalized Terms of Reference and status update was presented to Ontario and Newfoundland and Labrador (NL) energy Ministers. <u>February 11, 2016:</u> Ontario and NL bilateral held at February Ottawa PT energy ministers meeting to discuss electricity trade and present interim report. <u>February 22, 2016:</u> ENERGY/IESO updated PO on CES, Energy East, and Interprovincial Electricity Trade (including NL). Note: <u>In April 2016</u>, Nalcor CEO and the Nalcor Board of Directors resigned. Stan Marshall, the former president and CEO of Fortis Inc., is the new Nalcor CEO. <u>In April 2016</u>, an interim board of directors was announced.	<u>Ongoing:</u> Following Nalcor's reorganization, Ministry has re-engaged NL/Nalcor. <u>The working group is preparing the final report to Ministers on electricity trade opportunities.</u> Staff level teleconference has been scheduled for December 1, 2016 to discuss the progress of the report. <u>December 2016:</u> Ministry and NL final report to Ministers due in collaboration with IESO and Nalcor. <u>2017 (TBD):</u> ENERGY and IESO to meet with NL and Nalcor to discuss report and potential next steps.

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<u>August 22, 2016</u>: Ontario and NL Energy Ministers held a bilateral meeting on the side of EMMC 2016 to discuss electricity trade opportunities.	
18. Ontario – Quebec Working Group	
Electricity Trade: At the September 2015 Joint Cabinet Meeting, ON-QC Ministers signed an MOU on medium-term electricity trade agreement. <u>October 21, 2016</u>: Details of the electricity trade agreement presented at Joint Cabinet Meeting. Ontario and Quebec Premiers endorsed agreement-in-principle and will direct IESO/IO/HQ to proceed with finalizing the agreement. <u>December 15, 2016</u>: Energy Ministers, IESO and Hydro Quebec signed the new <i>Electricity Trade Agreement (2017-2023)</i> at a meeting with Premiers in Montreal, QC. Energy East: <u>April 14, 2016</u>: At the ON-QC meeting of Energy Ministers, Ontario and Quebec agreed to establish a technical working group on Energy East. Through the working group, Ontario and Quebec will work to identify and develop common positions where appropriate for use at the NEB hearings and in intergovernmental forums. The group will also facilitate further collaboration on long-term economic benefits and pipeline safety. <u>May 31, 2016</u> Ontario and Quebec Energy Ministers endorsed the	<u>April 1, 2017</u>: IESO and Hydro Quebec will prepare a report on intertie capacity requirements between Ontario and Quebec. <u>Fall 2017</u>: Hydro Quebec and IESO / IO will aim to conclude an electricity trade agreement. <u>Ongoing</u>: - The terms of reference for the Energy East technical working group are being developed. Quebec to develop first draft and share with Ontario. HQ, IESO, IO to work collaboratively to finalize detailed contract language by the end of 2016. ENERGY/IO finalizing MOU for IO's services in electricity trade discussions. <u>December 1, 2016 (TBC)</u>: Pending final negotiations, IESO and HQ to execute electricity trade agreement. <u>December 15, 2016 (TBC)</u>: ON and QC Premiers and Ministers to meet with electricity trade working group members. <u>By December 2016</u>: Energy East Technical Working Group is to have

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joint technical working group's mandate and requested a report back by December 2016.	identified common positions (NEB process currently suspended).
19. Electricity Price Mitigation	
<u>October 2017</u>: Following the 2016 Throne Speech, a number of actions were taken to reduce electricity cost (e.g., 8% rebate, updating RRRP, suspending LRP II, etc). <u>November 2016</u>: The Premier indicated the intent to provide further electricity price mitigation to ratepayers. <u>November 2016</u>: The Minister of Energy announced the need for changes in how electricity resources are procured, the need for wholesale market renewal and greater electricity consumer choice. <u>December 15, 2016</u>: Premier was briefed by IESO and OEB on potential rate mitigation opportunities.	<u>Ongoing</u>: The Ministry, along with IESO, OEB and OPG, continues to work on a number of cross-cutting proposals to mitigate the cost of electricity that include the funding source of initiatives, market reforms and other efficiencies.