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LOCAL NEWS

CBC.ca: [New energy program won't bring 'ticker tape parade,' but it'll help people: minister](#)

Glenn Thibeault launched the Affordability Fund in Hamilton Tuesday. The \$100 million program will give residents LED lights, heat pumps and even energy-efficient appliances to offset their energy costs. The program is available to those who don't already qualify for low-income energy conservation programs. Thibeault foresees it helping "tens of thousands" of people.

NewsWire.ca: [Waterpower Confirmed as Key to Ontario's Electricity Future](#)

Glenn Thibeault Minister of Energy confirmed the increasing importance of waterpower to meeting the province's energy needs. The Minister also made the link to the government's environmental agenda in his remarks. "Waterpower, as the largest member of our renewable energy family, is helping us meet our greenhouse gas reduction targets in the province's Climate Change Action Plan."

TheProvince.com: [The number is up for Wynne's government](#) (Opinion)

Premier Kathleen Wynne's government pushed back, stating it "does not agree" with Lysyk's conclusions. Energy Minister Glenn Thibeault said no "fast ones" were being pulled.

LOCAL NEWS

Nugget.ca: [Province ripe for class-action suit](#) (Opinion)

Wynne's government hid the cost of its Fair Hydro Plan from taxpayers and it has raised concerns that other governments across the country could follow suit and bury deficits.

SaultOnline.com: [Ontario Launches New Program to Help Reduce Electricity Costs](#)

Glenn Thibeault , Minister of Energy, was joined by Ted McMeekin, MPP for Ancaster–

Dundas–Flamborough–Westdale in Hamilton today to launch the Affordability Fund

Sudbury issues

Labor: [Ministry of Labour orders city to investigate alleged harassment of former fire chief](#)

The Ministry of Labour is ordering the City of Greater Sudbury to investigate a seven-month old harassment complaint. A complaint was filed by the Sudbury Professional Firefighters Association in March that fire chief Trevor Bain was being harassed at work.

Health: [Sudbury hospital to use on-site cancer patient lodging for additional beds from province](#)

Providing additional beds for the hospital in Sudbury is a step in the right direction, says David McNeil, vice president of patient services at Health Sciences North. McNeil says the hospital in Sudbury is facing significant over-capacity challenges.

Charity: [St. Charles food drive exceeds expectations](#)

For almost three decades, the student council has been organizing a fall food drive in support of the Sudbury Food Bank. This year, 175,000 cans were collected in support of the food bank.