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In case you didn't see OCC's piece on the LTEP, almost entirely positive. Only negative pieces are calling again for more rate relief for business and for cap and trade costs to be broken out on natural gas bills. http://www.occ.ca/policy/2017-long-term-energy-plan/

Position statement:

The OCC has long been active in advocating for a principled and pragmatic approach to energy planning. We were encouraged to see that *Ontario's Long-Term Energy Plan 2017: Delivering Fairness and Choice* delivers broad alignment with the OCC's previous policy stance. The 2017 LTEP, echoes the OCC's call for the need to ensure competitive and affordable rates through new procurement models.

The OCC was pleased to see the strong commitment made to Ontario's nuclear sector, including the refurbishment projects at Ontario Power Generation's (OPG) Darlington site and Bruce Power's facility in Tiverton, as well as a renewed commitment to pursue continued operations at OPG's Pickering site. We also applaud government on the initial integration of Ontario's CCAP into our energy planning system.

While today's plan places an emphasis on ensuring affordability and flexibility, the OCC will continue to advocate that further rate mitigation strategies must be developed and aimed specifically at the business sector.

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