

First Nation On-Reserve Delivery Credit: Implementation Overview

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Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan

April – May 2017 Legislation and Regulation development

Policy	Legislation	Regulation
• March 2, 2017 Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan is announced. • Included is a commitment to implement a First Nations Delivery Credit, removing the delivery charge for on-reserve residential customers. • This commitment follows on the report of the Ontario Energy Board to the Ministry in January 2017 recommending a delivery credit be implemented.	• Would provide the legal authority to implement the policy The legislation will: • Enable the program to be funded through the tax base, • Establish which costs are eligible for the credit, • Provide regulation making power over most elements of program design, • Legislation establishes consumers living on reserve will receive the delivery credit • Legislation will set July 1 2017 as eligibility date.	• Would provide the detail for how the program operates. • Specifics regarding implementation and visibility on bill TBD based on engagements between Ministry, COO, and LDCs.

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May – June 2017

July Onwards

Communications Plan

Governments

- Develop FNDC brochure/pamphlet co-branded between COO and Energy
- Develop a Booklet to include the FNDC, information on programs, conservation initiatives and other supports.
- Joint announcement of FNDC implementation by COO and Ontario.
- COO and Energy to coordinate communications to communities.

Roll out

Utilities

- Policy intent is to provide rebate beginning July 1 2017. To meet this target and maintain automatic rollout, LDCs will need to undertake implementation activities including:
 - Adjust billing systems.
 - Customer communications and community engagement.
 - Band Council engagement