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Ministry response due May 5, 2017.

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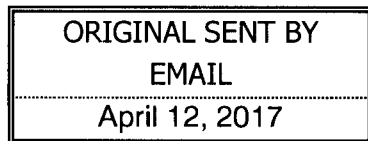
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Thank you for your further email regarding electricity cost and Hydro One.

I have forwarded your correspondence to my colleague the Honourable Glenn Thibeault, Minister of Energy, and asked that he or a member of his ministry staff respond to you directly.

Thank you again for writing to me. Please accept my best wishes.



Kathleen Wynne
Premier of Ontario

c: The Honourable Glenn Thibeault

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From: Chris Cayley <chriscaley@icloud.com>
Sent: March 31, 2017 9:10 AM
To: Wynne_Kathleen-MPP
Subject: Fwd: An email from the Premier of Ontario

Ms. Wynne.

Thank you for this reply to my email. I have taken the time to read it over and also look at the website you reference in this email. In my original email to you I asked you to answer a few questions, they were.

Justify the annual salary for the CEO of Hydro double that of other provincial counterparts. I also understand that the "Sunshine list" will be published today and his Salary is going up yet again. <http://www.680news.com/2017/03/31/opg-head-likely-top-sunshine-list-list-released-friday/>

Also asked you for a cost estimate on how much it will cost to refinance the debt the Liberal governments have added to Hydro in Ontario.

I look forward to your direct answers to these questions.

Regards

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On Mar 29, 2017, at 10:46 AM, Kathleen Wynne
<premier@premier.gov.on.ca> wrote:

Thank you for your correspondence regarding the cost of electricity. I appreciate your sharing your views.

For too long, governments of all political stripes have made mistakes in the way we've structured Ontario's electricity system.

That has resulted in rates that are unfairly high. It's why we are fixing those mistakes, in ways that work for today – and for the future.

Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan will lower electricity bills by 25 per cent on average for all residential customers in the province, starting this summer. Those living in eligible rural communities or with low incomes will see even greater reductions.

These measures build on the eight per cent rebate introduced in January and other previously announced initiatives to deliver rate relief. And this is relief that is designed to last. Your bill won't increase beyond the rate of inflation for at least four years. It is the single largest cut to electricity rates in the history of Ontario.

So, how are we doing this – and why now? All governments bear responsibility for that: Liberal, Conservative and NDP. For the better part of 50 years we didn't pay our way. But about a decade ago, it came to a head. The system needed major rebuilding.

We've invested more than 50 billion dollars in clean, reliable electricity infrastructure – assets that benefit all the people of Ontario and that will serve us for many decades to come.

But the terms we set to finance these necessary renovations weren't fair. We asked one generation – today's generation – to unfairly shoulder the burden of nearly all of those costs. So we're refinancing the system and setting a new term that stretches over a longer period. Over time, it will cost a bit more. And it will take longer to pay off. But it is fairer – because it doesn't ask this generation of hydro customers alone to pay the freight for everyone before and after. The burden will now be shared more evenly and more appropriately.

Our plan will also expand the Ontario Electricity Support Program for people on low incomes and provide more relief to people living in rural areas with high delivery costs. Those important social programs will become part of the provincial budget and will no longer be paid for through hydro rates.

These changes are the right thing to do. It's better for Ontario, and fairer for families. For more information on Ontario's Fair Hydro Plan, please visit: <https://www.ontario.ca/page/ontarios-fair-hydro-plan>.

Thank you again for writing to me. Please accept my best wishes.

Kathleen Wynne
Premier of Ontario

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