

Ministry of Energy

ISSUES FORECAST: March 28, 2017 to May 08, 2017

Date	Risk	Issue	Tactics	Key Messages
Tue Mar 28	Medium	Minister Thibeault to attend Ontario Chamber of Commerce Event Minister Thibeault will attend Ontario Chamber of Commerce Event. TBD	Q&As, TBD	TBD
Wed Mar 29	Low	Bruce Power/Asthma Society of Canada Breakfast Minister to speak at a joint Bruce Power/Asthma Society event. Bruce Power is a private nuclear power generator that produces approx. 30 per cent of Ontario's electricity. The Asthma Society of Canada (ASC) is a national charitable organization dedicated to enhancing the health and quality of life for people with asthma and associated allergies. Bruce Power and ASC recently collaborated on a report called "Clean Air Ontario", recognizing the role of nuclear power in phasing out coal power and supporting climate change goals.		TBD
Thu Mar 30	Medium	Minister Thibeault to attend Ribbon Cutting at Loraxian Minister Thibeault will attend a ribbon cutting at Loraxian. From Loraxian website: Loraxian provides a fully integrated infrastructure solution that drastically reduces energy consumption and operating expenses. Budgets become balanced long-term. Entire projects are complete in 12-18 months. Best of all, these solutions require no new capital investment.	Remarks, NR, MA	TBD
Thu Mar 30	Medium	Minister to attend Oakville Chamber of Commerce meeting Minister to attend Oakville Chamber of Commerce meeting TBD		TBD
Thu Mar 30	Medium	Minister to tour Markham Direct Energy Centre Minister to tour Markham Direct Energy Centre TBD	TBD	TBD
Sat Apr 1		W5 television piece on Darlington airs		
Mon Apr 3	Low	NEW - Ontario Waterpower Association Annual Queen's Park Day Minister will be making remarks at the OWA's annual Queens Park event. Event information can be found here: http://www.owa.ca/events/event/queens-park/	Q&As	TBD

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		The Ontario Waterpower Association (OWA) is a not-for profit, member based organization promoting the sustainable development of waterpower resources in Ontario. Since 2001 the OWA has been representing the common and collective interests of the waterpower industry.		
Thu Apr 6	Medium	UPDATED - Toronto Fair Hydro Plan Echo Event and ICI Ministers Thibeault and Duguid to attend Fair Hydro Plan echo and Industrial Conservation Initiative (ICI)event in Toronto. This is in support of the recently announced Fair Hydro Plan to help reduce Ontarians' electricity rates. The Industrial Conservation Initiative (ICI) allows large electricity consumers to lower their electricity costs by reducing their demand during peak hours. Reducing demand during peak hours benefits companies financially and benefits the electricity system by deferring the need for new peaking generation. ICI was recently expanded as part of the government's efforts to reduce electricity rates.	TBD	TBD
Fri Apr 7	Medium	UPDATED - Thunder Bay Fair Hydro Plan Echo Event Minister to attend Fair Hydro Plan echo event in Thunder Bay. This event is in support of the recently announced Fair Hydro Plan to reduce Ontarians' electricity rates.	TBD	TBD
Fri Apr 7	FYI	Thunder Bay Hydro Tour Minister to tour Thunder Bay Hydro. Thunder Bay Hydro is the electricity utility serving the city of Thunder Bay.	n/a	n/a
Mon Apr 10	Medium	UPDATED - Kingston FHP Echo Minister Thibeault and MPP Kiwala to Attend Minister Thibeault and MPP Kiwala to Attend		TBD
Mon Apr 10	Medium	UPDATED - Durham FHP ECHO Minister Thibeault to attend. Minister Thibeault to attend.	NR, MA, Remarks	TBD
Wed Apr 12	Medium	NEW - FHP Town Hall event with Minister Coteau This event is in support of the recently announced Fair Hydro Plan to reduce Ontarians' electricity rates. The Fair Hydro Plan is a government initiative to reduce electricity rates in the province.		TBD

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Tue Apr 18	High	UPDATED - OEB - oral hearing re Union/Enbridge/NRG cap and trade compliance plans The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) is scheduled to begin its oral hearing into Union/Enbridge/NRG cap and trade compliance plans. The oral hearing will continue on for additional days as determined by the OEB. from the OEB Procedural Order No.1 (January 27, 2017): The Climate Change Mitigation and Low-carbon Economy Act, 2016 (Climate Change Act) was passed by the Ontario Legislature and received Royal Assent on May 18, 2016. On May 19, 2016, Ontario Regulation 144/16, The Cap and Trade Program (Cap and Trade Regulation), was issued. The Climate Change Act and the Cap and Trade Regulation set forth the details of a cap and trade program for the purposes of reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in Ontario. The Climate Change Act established that the first compliance period for the cap and trade program will run from January 1, 2017 until December 31, 2020, with subsequent three-year compliance periods. Under the Climate Change Act, the Gas Utilities are required to develop strategies to meet their Climate Change Act compliance obligations. New costs will be incurred by the Gas Utilities in their efforts to comply with the Climate Change Act and the OEB is responsible for assessing the cost consequences of the Gas Utilities' compliance plans for the purpose of approving recovery of the costs through rates. Further information about the OEB's Cap and Trade Framework can be found on the OEB's website at http://www.ontarioenergyboard.ca/oeb/Industry/Regulatory%20Proceedings/Policy%20Initiatives%20and%20Consultations/Cap%20and%20Trade%20Compliance%20Plans%20%28EB-2015-0363%29.	TBD	TBD
Wed Apr 19	Low	Conservation Tour, Loblaws (Sudbury) Minister will tour a Loblaws store in Sudbury that has taken conservation measures. Loblaws was an early adopter of conservation measures at its stores, taking full advantage of provincial incentives to make its operations more energy-efficient.	Q&As	TBD
Thurs Apr 20(???)	High	OEB Releases Updated Time-of-Use Summer Prices		
Sun Apr 30	High	Last Day OEB Winter Disconnection Policy Remains in place		
Thu May 4	Medium	NEW - Hydro One First Quarter 2017 Results Hydro One, the largest electric transmission and distribution utility in Ontario, plans to release its first quarter financial results the morning of May 4, 2017 before North American financial markets open. A summary of the results will be distributed by newswire and the complete MD&A and financial statements will be posted at www.hydroone.com/investors and www.sedar.com. Hydro One is Ontario's largest electricity transmission and distribution provider with	Housebook/Issue note	As Hydro One is now a publicly traded company, any questions or concerns regarding its financials should be directed to Hydro One.

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		more than 1.3 million valued customers, \$25 billion in assets and annual revenues of over \$6.5 billion. Hydro One has 5,500 employees serving suburban, rural and remote communities across Ontario through its 30,000 circuit km high-voltage transmission and 123,000 circuit km primary distribution networks		
Month of May		Expected release of FAO report on nuclear refurbishment		