

RE: Cottage benefits

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Date: Thu, 09 Mar 2017 13:59:26 -0500

K thx – I can see this being a something that is raised eventually.

From: Whittington, Matt (ENERGY)
Sent: March-09-17 1:59 PM
To: Donelson, Philip (OPO)
Subject: Re: Cottage benefits

It's a good question. I asked them for an update. Will let you know.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Rogers network.

From: Donelson, Philip (OPO)
Sent: Thursday, March 9, 2017 1:48 PM
To: Whittington, Matt (ENERGY)
Subject: RE: Cottage benefits

Thanks, that's helpful. So are they still phasing out the seasonal class over the 8 years, or has that sped up now?

From: Whittington, Matt (ENERGY)
Sent: March-09-17 1:41 PM
To: Donelson, Philip (OPO)
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From: Whittington, Matt (ENERGY) <Matt.Whittington@ontario.ca>
Sent: Monday, March 6, 2017 6:09 PM
To: Nikolaichuk, Colin (ENERGY); Teliszewsky, Andrew (ENERGY)
Cc: Campbell, David (ENERGY); Berry, James (ENERGY)
Subject: RE: Cottage benefits

The attached might be useful as background info on the seasonal rate class.

From: Nikolaichuk, Colin (ENERGY)
Sent: March-06-17 6:05 PM
To: Teliszewsky, Andrew (ENERGY); Whittington, Matt (ENERGY)
Cc: Campbell, David (ENERGY); Berry, James (ENERGY)
Subject: Cottage benefits

As discussed, here are some bullets to share with CBC Ottawa. I'll reach out to the outlet to correct the record, and will develop a statement if needed. Matt did a check on the Hydro One seasonal rate structure, and it's still a ways away, so I'm not including that. Let me know if you'd like anything

added.

- Our government's Fair Hydro Plan is designed to give ratepayers today relief on their electricity bill, while restructuring the system in the long-term to make it more fair for everyone
- The plan offers significant relief across the board, while also being designed to offer the most help to those who need it most - those on a low-income, on-reserve First Nations, and those using electric heat, for example
- Cottagers will receive an average 25% reduction on the electricity they are using when at their cottage, and using electricity
- Those who use very little electricity, such as at an unused cottage, will see their bills reduced less, but they will still see a small reduction in their regulatory charges
- This will come from moving social programs from the rate base to the tax base, which is fairer to Ontarians
- All cottagers will continue to benefit from the 8% rebate introduced in January

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