

RE: Energy echo

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Date: Thu, 02 Mar 2017 16:59:52 -0500
Attachments: RRRP for Mauro CO.pptx (302.32 kB)

Jeff – see the deck I attached per our discussion.

Let me know if this helps and if you have any more questions.

Thanks,
Matt

From: Den Heijer, Kevin (ENERGY)
Sent: March-02-17 4:04 PM
To: Whittington, Matt (ENERGY)
Subject: FW: Energy echo

Hi Matt, please see phone number below.

Thanks!

Kevin

From: Mauro, Bill MPP CO
Sent: Thursday, March 02, 2017 3:58 PM
To: Den Heijer, Kevin
Cc: Cripps, Mark (MMA)
Subject: FW: Energy echo

Hi Kevin, I just spoke to Minister Mauro and he is really hoping for clarification on the RRRP as it pertains to RI Customers using less than 2500 kwh/m. Did they already realize the \$60 in savings through RRRP? Are there more RRP savings if they are below the 2500kwh/m threshold? Thanks very much.

Jeff

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Sent: Thursday, March 02, 2017 2:46 PM

To: Mauro, Bill MPP; Mauro, Bill MPP CO
Subject: FW: Energy echo

Clear language on Avg reductions for all

- We are tripling the size of the cut we're making to people's hydro bills from 8% to an average of 25%. Electricity rates in Ontario will come down significantly, they're going to stay down and everyone will benefit.
- Let me emphasize that last point – the cut will go to all households that pay for electricity. There will be no asterisks, no loop holes and no exceptions. Every single household that pays for electricity in Ontario will see an average cut of 25%. And for those living in eligible rural communities or with low incomes the break will be even greater.

Reductions for R1 and R2 (Avg and/or dollar)

- About 800,000 customers will be receiving the new, expanded Rural or Remote Rate Protection credit – **including customers of Atikokan Hydro and Sioux Lookout Hydro.**
 - o This includes the 330,000 remote Hydro One customers who are already receiving it (and will now receive an even larger credit), as well as customers of seven of the other utilities around the province with the highest distribution costs.
 - o These customers are not all rural – our goal is to coordinate relief to those facing the highest distribution charges, wherever they live.
- Whether a customer receives this credit will depend on their utility, and on how much electricity they use.
- **Some examples of what customers will receive:**
 - o **A) A Hydro One R2 customer consuming 2,500kWh a month would have their distribution cost reduced by about \$75. This is in addition to the savings achieved through January's expansion of the RRRP.**
 - § This is a typical remote customer on electric heat.
 - o **b) A Hydro One R1 customer consuming 1,000kWh a month would have their distribution cost reduced by about \$18.**
 - § This is a typical "medium-density" Hydro One customer (possibly rural, but not very remote)
 - o **c) An Atikokan Hydro customer consuming 1,000kWh a month would have their distribution cost reduced by about \$17.**
- **Some customers will receive more or less than these examples; but the examples provide a picture of the typical range of the reduction.**

Messaging on Social programs moving to tax base

- The Province will move several programs currently funded by electricity customers to be funded by Provincial revenues instead.
- Since electricity is a necessity, it only makes sense that we share the cost of these social programs.
- This will reduce the "regulatory" charges a customer sees on their bill, since they will no longer be paying for programs like the RRRP and OESP (Ontario Electricity Support Program) through their electricity bill.
- Having moved these programs to the tax base, we will also be expanding them to provide additional support to those ratepayers who struggle the most with their bills.

Seniors property tax grants

- The Ontario Energy and Property Tax Credit remains in place, benefitting all Northerners as well as low- and moderate-income individuals and families.
- This tax credit saves individuals up to \$1,008 per year, with a maximum of \$1,148 per year for qualifying seniors.

Relief for business, farmers etc

- Everyone who is Time of Use pricing will receive the benefit of our plan.
- That means every single household
- And it also means thousands of farmers, small businesses, and other ratepayers
- (See attached for sample bills included in the MPP package. They showcase one utilities' estimates for the impact on a mainstreet business in their service area)

Language on ICI program to help businesses (expansion)

- We are expanding eligibility for the ICI program by lowering the threshold for participation in the program from 1MW to 500kW
- This provides small manufacturers and industrials the opportunity to save on their electricity costs, while helping all ratepayers by reducing the province's peak demand.
- Participants in the ICI program can save up to one third on their energy costs.
- Small manufacturers will also benefit from our switch to funding social programs through provincial revenues, which will reduce costs on their bill.

Thanks,

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See below. Can you share the MPP info and fact sheets with Mark?

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone on the Rogers network.

From: Cripps, Mark (MMA) <Mark.Cripps@ontario.ca>

Sent: Thursday, March 2, 2017 1:16 PM

To: Nikolaichuk, Colin (ENERGY)

Subject: Energy echo

Minister Mauro is going to do an echo tomorrow but wants to be comfortable with the information

Last fall when he did the 8% echo there was confusion about the impact on R1/R2 customers. And the story went sideways

He has asked me for the following information. Hoping you are able to help

Clear language on Avg reductions for all

Reductions for R1 and R2 (Avg and/or dollar)

Messaging on Social programs moving to tax base

Other programs already in place ie NOET credit

Seniors property tax grants

Relief for business, farmers etc

Language on ICI program to help businesses (expansion

Thanks!

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