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Week In Review



This week's [energy headlines](#) include Hydro One president speaks to Windsor Chamber of Commerce, new research shows time-of-use pricing impact, and Waterloo Hydro contemplates merger.

The *Windsor Star* reports Mayo Schmidt, president of Hydro One, told the Windsor-Essex Regional Chamber of Commerce earlier this week bringing down hydro rates is a priority for the company, as privatization has created a greater sense of accountability to the customer. For Schmidt, customers in the province are also shareholders.

A new study from the University of Waterloo demonstrated smart meters and time-of-use electricity pricing have only modestly reduced Ontario's residential energy demand during the most expensive peak periods. According to *Clean Tech Canada*, the analysis showed residential demand for electricity dropped just 2.6 per cent during on-peak periods and 2.4 per cent during mid-peak periods following the change.

Waterloo Region is considering four possibilities for a possible merger of Waterloo North Hydro with another utility, according to CTV News. Several public utilities in the surrounding area were sold to Hydro One recently, or merged with other public utilities.

In other energy news, the PCs won a by-election seat in Sault Ste. Marie yesterday, a new report confirmed safety of OPG's deep geological repository, and the Fair Hydro Plan legislation passed in the Ontario

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Events

Upcoming events include the Alberta and Saskatchewan Renewable Energy Summit in Calgary from June 5-6 and a C.D. Howe Institute panel discussion of the upcoming 2018 Ontario election on June 7.

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