

Policy Item	LIB	PC ¹	NDP ²	GP ³
Procurement / new supply	Supports shift away from out-of-market capacity acquisition and Market Renewal	Supports shift away from out-of-market capacity acquisition and Market Renewal	Importing affordable renewable electricity when needed Question the value of capacity auctions, “failed” in other jurisdictions	
Contract Management		enforce Green Energy Act contracts and use breaches as leverage to renegotiate or exit contracts where feasible moratorium on new contracts	Not renewing and renegotiating or cancelling bad contracts.	
Carbon Pricing	Cap and Trade	[Doug Ford has indicated that he would cancel existing cap and trade, also noting he would not implement a carbon tax either. Unclear how Federal Gov’t will react given legal requirement to have one] Opt in to the federal carbon price backstop (Note: all current candidates for leader now oppose), use proceeds for tax reform/relief Cancel the CCAP, end cap-and-trade, and withdraw from WCI Carbon pricing listed as a separate line item on natural gas bills	Critical of Cap and Trade (not clear if favour carbon tax, but likely to continue with a carbon policy)	
Planning	Support for local decision making through Regional Planning Process LTPE on 3-year cycle	Enhance energy planning to make it expert led and transparent and restore local planning authority for renewable energy projects		

¹ Except where noted, Ontario Progressive Conservative Party policy based on 2018 election platform, People’s Guarantee, released on November 25.

² Most recent policy document released February 2017 https://www.ontariondp.ca/sites/default/files/final_ndp_hydro_announcement.pdf. Also some points identified through media and hansard scan

³ Taken from media scan and Green Party 2017 Budget submission

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		Future LTEPs must be brought before a legislative committee to be studied in depth		
Electricity Rates - residential, small business, and farmer	Fair Hydro Plan – 25% reduction (residential, small business, and farmer)	Fair Hydro Plan + Lower the average hydro bill by an additional 12% (residential, small business, and farmer)	Oppose FHP cut your bill by about 30%	Oppose FHP; target electricity price relief to the most vulnerable in our communities instead of a across the board rate reduction that disproportionately benefits the wealthy
Electricity Rates – C&I		“explore all options”, including: a single stable industrial rate, support for combined heat and power (CHP) programs, or exploring fuel switching programs allow for Ontario companies to purchase power at an affordable rate instead of sending it to competing jurisdictions at a loss	Fixed delivery charge (urban and rural) End Mandatory Time of Use real oversight to electricity prices Using tax benefits to help ratepayers Make the HST rebate permanent, and negotiate with the federal government to remove their 5% portion on hydro bills	
Conservation		Support CFF conservation funding to the tax base		
Nuclear	Committed to refurbishment schedule in LTEP	Committed to refurbishment schedule in LTEP	Generally critical of nuclear refurbishment	Close Pickering on schedule
Regulatory/Sector Change	Established OEB Modernization Panel in December 2017, <i>Strategic Blueprint 2017-2022: Keeping Pace With an Evolving Energy Sector</i>	Reform the Ontario Energy Board to reduce regulatory burden, to embrace innovation and increase adaptability to emerging technologies	Renew the OEB’s mandate, expanding its role and including reserved seats for ratepayers and consumer advocates	
Smart Metering		Move Smart Meter Charge (SMC) to the tax base		
SBG		Ask the IESO to study and report on potential options - rooted in evidence - to reduce the amount of hydroelectric power the province	Fix Oversupply	Support OCC proposal to sell excess electricity at a discount to Ontario businesses instead of at a loss to the US

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		wastes annually		
Net Metering	MicroFIT ended, moving towards net metering; IESO currently studying impacts of net-metering and virtual net metering	Support evaluating the impacts net-metering		
General Policy		not allow any further sale of Hydro One to private investors in in exorbitant executive salaries for government-owned energy companies (HO, OPG)	Buy back all Hydro One shares and return Hydro One to public ownership Capping private profit margins establish an independent panel of energy experts and planners, businesses, labour, watchdogs, public power administrators, and consumer and environmental advocates will be formed to create systemic changes Critical of executive compensation in the sector, targeting Hydro One	
		PC Party Policy Recommendations October 2017: Consumer-focused home renovation tax credit targeting energy efficient upgrades to reduce hydro bills environmental decision-making is rooted in scientific evidence, not politically driven ensure proper data collection for reported industrial wind turbine incidents electronic vehicle registration for automobile dealers let customers decide what level of detail they want to see on their hydro bills Active role in promoting mining and mineral exploration including the Ring of Fire support natural gas expansion throughout rural and Northern		

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		Ontario recognizes that Northern Ontario is very different from Southern Ontario and as such Ontario PC Party's policy is to create a Northern panel to review legislation and policies affecting the North through a Northern lens		