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# APPrO update for members

The industry's monthly bulletin featuring updates, briefings, links and resources from the Association of Power Producers of Ontario.

## **Noteworthy News:**

### Use low carbon power to transform the economy: APPrO

"Ontario's redesigned framework for Long Term Energy Planning can boost crucial shared objectives like using our low carbon electricity system to drive transformative change in the economy," said APPrO President Dave Butters. Speaking at an OEA webinar on April 7, he outlined a set of messages power producers are highlighting in the public engagement process. To achieve effective and efficient planning he stressed, "you need a long term view, and a process with objective standards and regulatory oversight." APPrO is working with its members to prepare an industry submission in time for the April 27 deadline. For more information, see the online webinar:

OEA webinar on the Long Term Energy Planning framework, April 7 2021

#### ITC strikes deal to build 100 MW Lake Erie Connector line

The Canada Infrastructure Bank (CIB) and ITC Investment Holdings (ITC) have signed an agreement in principle to invest \$1.7 billion in the Lake Erie Connector project, a 1,000 MW high-voltage DC transmission line connecting Ontario with the PJM Interconnection, the largest electricity market in North America.

Lake Erie Connector announcement April 13, 2021

### **APPrO deputation to Mississauga City Council**

On March 3, APPrO President Dave Butters delivered advice to the City Council of Mississauga Ontario as it was considering a motion that would ask provincial agencies to phase out gas-fired electricity by 2030. For more information, see:

APPrO deputation, notes for remarks, March 3 2021

IESO letter to Toronto City Council, March 9 2021

### Ontario poised to become a net importer of electricity

A combination of surging demand and little or no new generation development will make Ontario a net importer of power in the near future. This is a significant change - the province has been a net exporter since 2005. This projection came to light in the IESO's recent Annual Planning Outlook. For more information, see:

IESO Annual Planning Outlook, Executive Summary

# Federal Environment Minister takes steps to stand down OBPS in Ontario as of January 2022

Federal Minister of the Environment and Climate Change Jonathan Wilkinson recently informed the Government of Ontario of his intent to take the measures necessary for Ontario to transition from the federal Output-Based Pricing System (OBPS) to the Ontario Emissions Performance Standards (EPS) on January 1, 2022. APPrO has been working actively with its affected members over the past year to help them mitigate the impacts of the OBPS on their contracts.

**Resilient LLP** 

### Nuclear industry launches petition drive: "Facts Matter"

Ontario's Nuclear Advantage (ONA) has released an "Urgent Appeal" calling on Ontarians to sign a petition stressing the facts about the nuclear industry's record of safety and environmental performance.

Facts Matter When It Comes to Safety

## **Comment:**

### Compared to Texas, Ontario's Energy is Resilient

After the debacle in Texas many are now looking closer to home and asking how could a state's energy system have been left crippled in this way – and could it happen to us? For more information, see <u>LinkedIn</u>.

### Natural gas is vital to fuelling Ontario

Environmentalists are urging Toronto and other Ontario city councils to approve motions calling on provincial agencies to stop using natural gas for electricity generation. Ross

McKitrick explains why caution might be appropriate.

**Financial Post** 

# **Volunteer Opportunities:**

APPrO is looking for energy professionals to serve on its Conference Committee, to provide input on key questions to be addressed at the next <u>Canadian Power Conference</u>. For more information, contact the APPrO office.

### **Events:**

Mark your calendar for APPrO 2021 – The Canadian Power Conference and **Networking Event** 

November 29 - 30, 2021

More information at appro2021.com

Ontario Waterpower Association "Power of Water" annual conference May 25 - 27, 2021

Owa.ca

### **Resources:**

APPrO News and publications

Archive of APPrO weekly news briefs

APPrO's LinkedIn Feed

Archive of articles posted on LinkedIn

Twitter: #APPrO2020

Facebook - APPrO's Power Memory Project YouTube

APPrO's summary of Social links to join the conversation

APPrO PowerConnect conference web app (available with presentations post event)

APPrO PowerTopic program suggestion tool

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