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

Noteworthy News:

Breaking news

The Ontario Progressive Conservatives won the June 2nd Ontario general election. The PCs, led by Premier Doug Ford, were re-elected to a second Majority government, winning 7 more seats than they had won in 2018. The NDP retained their status as the Official Opposition. The Liberals remain in third place.

Over the coming weeks, Premier Ford and his team will begin the transition process, picking a new Cabinet and appointing key staff positions. The Legislature will likely reconvene by the end of July.

APPrO extends it congratulations to the Premier and to all the members who have been re-elected, and recognizes the contribution to our democratic processes of all who participated.

APPrO and OEA Joint Conference to focus on the energy transition

"Navigating to Net Zero: Ontario's Energy Transition" takes place September 19th. Currently we are working on the agenda and pulling together the sponsorship package.

Please send Dave Butters an email if you have specific ideas or themes we should consider.

Registration will go on sale shortly. So save the Date! Monday, September 19, 2022; InterContinental Toronto Centre Hotel 225 Front St W, Toronto, ON M5V 2X3

Interested in sponsoring this event? Again, please contact Dave Butters

Minister of Energy Announces Electrification and Energy Transition Panel

On April 22, the Minister of Energy announced that is moving ahead on integrated energy planning "for the continued reliability and affordability of the province's clean energy supply" by launching the Electrification and Energy Transition Panel, chaired by David Collie. Mr Collie was most recently President and CEO of the Electrical Safety Authority and a founding member of the Energy Transformation Network of Ontario

The purpose of the panel is to "provide essential advice and expertise on how to co-ordinate long-term energy planning, considering growing energy demand, emerging technologies, low-carbon fuel switching, sustainability and affordability", and for companies to anticipate the long-term development of Ontario's energy sector, and support the Ontario's Environment Plan climate change goals by "understanding what types of electrification and fuel-switching technologies are most cost-effective and when deployment could occur."

The Panel will undertake a pathway study that will provide technical advice on co-ordinating long-term energy planning that will also support Ontario's climate change goals.

The Ministry of Energy also released a What We Heard Report after broad stakeholder engagement from January to April 2021 on the principles of a new electricity planning framework through the Environmental Registry of Ontario.

The Clean Energy Advantage Campaign Still Going Strong

The Clean Energy Advantage Campaign Phase 2 finished up on May 31st, but ran strongly during its course.

The #1 piece of creative was the electric car semi-conceptual image. The second big takeaway is that the average time on site increased by 20 seconds (1 min 36 seconds last year) to nearly two minutes. Anything over one minute is above average, but nearing the two minute mark is certainly indicative of the strong interest from users landing on the new page. Finally, we saw right out of the gate that our explainer video produced a higher click-through rate. Check it all out at www.ontarioscleanenergyadvantage.ca/our-advantage

APPrO will be reviewing the campaign as part of its post-election strategic planning process, later in June.

APPrO Submits Comments on the Market Renewal Project

This has been a topic of much discussion among APPrO members for some time. At the request of our members we have formally informed the IESO of our position on MRP.

While APPrO supports much of the rationale for market reform, we think that the time is right to take stock of the MRP project to refocus, rescope and refresh it to ensure the implementation of an enduing, robust and competitive energy market in Ontario.

We recommend APPrO and other stakeholders work collaboratively with the IESO to re-define a streamlined implementation plan for MRP that solves the most fundamental issues and does not create a complex program that becomes impossible to manage and implement. The aim is to create conditions for success and revisit two modules that seem to be straying into the world of overly complex and unnecessary. APPrO's interest is to make this project as successful as possible.

We recommend as an initial step, that the IESO should:

- a) Clarify the status of the project's implementation timeline; and
- b) Schedule an engagement session with the objective of developing a plan to prioritize completion of critical elements (e.g., LMP, DAM) and rescoping or deferring those that are not material for Day 1 implementation, or which have become too complicated for the value they provide (e.g., ex ante MPM and ERUC).

We are awaiting further feedback form the IESO later in June.

APPrO and BLG Webinars Continue

Continued electricity sector vigilance

Please join us for our third session of the year on June 15th, BLG's Dan Michaluk will discuss how delivering reliable power and maintaining a reliable energy infrastructure requires robust cybersecurity. Topics include:

- NERC CIP and its key requirements
- What you need to know and how to prepare for a cyber-attack
- Developing an incident response plan.

Event details: Wednesday, June 15, 2022 - 10:30 am - 11:30 am ET

Please RSVP by Tuesday, June 14, 2022. Connection details will be provided after you register.

APPrO in the News

Two recent articles on Ontario's electricity system have featured comments from APPrO President Dave Butters. Both can be found on the Toronto Globe & Mail website:

- Documents raise questions about costs to retire Ontario's natural gas power plants
- Ontario is struggling to keep up with electricity demand in the Windsor area.



Resources:

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APPrO's summary of **Social links** to join the conversation

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