London Hydro

Advisory Committee on the Environment (ACE) Communication

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About London Hydro

- London Hydro Inc. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Corporation of the City of London
- Owns and maintains the electrical distribution grid.
- 162,000 residential and commercial customers.
- Employs over 300 employees.
- Delivers highly reliable and safe electricity to its customers.
- Procures wholesale market services from the IESO and transmission services from Hydro One at regulated prices.



London Hydro's License to Operate ED-2002-0557



The OEB's Mandate

- Setting natural gas and electricity rates and prices
- Monitoring the financial and operating performance of electrical utilities
- Providing consumers with the information they need to better understand energy matters
- Protecting energy consumers' interests
- Developing regulatory policy to meet emerging energy trends and challenges

Governing Legislation

Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, the Electricity Act, 1998 and the Energy Consumer Protection Act, 2010

Source: https://www.oeb.ca/oeb/_Documents/Documents/Energy_Sector_Regulation-Overview.pdf

IESO Regional Planning Overview

- IESO Coordinates Regional Plans every 5 years, with local distribution companies, Hydro One, and communities.
- Plans are 20 year outlook, and include projections of Distributed Energy Resources (DERs), Conservation and Demand Management, and adoption of Electric Vehicles.
- London Hydro has sufficient capacity for additional load for at least the next 10 years.
- Capacity for additional DERs is declining as new resources are connected.





Source: <u>https://www.ieso.ca/en/Get-Involved/Regional-Planning/Southwest-Ontario/London-Area</u> See the IRRP: <u>https://www.ieso.ca/en/Get-Involved/Regional-Planning/Southwest-Ontario/London-Area</u>

Capacity Planning

Future Capacity by Area / Feeder - for new loads (residential, commercial, industrial) and load growth such as electrification of Heating and Transportation



Monitoring Loads using Smart Meter data, transformer loads are reviewed, EV charging locations tracked





 Regular consultations with municipal planners, developers, large use customers



 Engaged with LTC regarding electrification of the transit system



Capacity Planning



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 Sufficient capacity for at least 10 years

 Margin for unexpected load growth due to EVs, fuel switching, new customers

2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2011 2018 2019 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2011 2018 2019 Year

Ontario's Electricity Supply

- ▶ 36.0% Renewable
- ▶ 92.8% non-emitting

Ontario System-Wide Electricity Supply Mix: 2020 Data



Nuclear Energy
Water Power
Natural Gas
Wind
Solar PV
Bioenergy
Non-Contracted

%	
56.8	
24.4	
6.3	
8.7	
2.4	
0.5	
0.9	

- * Includes Lennox and dual fuel (natural gas/bioenergy) consistent with IESO.
- ** IESO's embedded generation data set combines biomass and gas.
- *** Non-Contracted represents a variety of fuel types that the IESO is unable to categorize due to a lack of information from Local Distribution Companies (LDCs).

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Ontario's Electricity Supply & GHG Emissions

Greenhouse Gas Generation Inensity

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Source: Canada's Submission to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change National Inventory Reports, 2014 and 2021 https://unfccc.int/documents?f%5B0%5D=country%3A867&f%5B1%5D=document_type%3A3517&f%5B2%5D=language%3AEnglish

Distribution Losses

- Electrical distribution system upgrades
- Voltage conversions
- Continuous improvement plans
- Losses reduced from $\approx 4\%$ to 3% over the last 7 years
 - saved 233,150 MWh
 - reduced GHG emissions by 7,766 t CO₂e





Customer's Generation Connections

by the end of 2020,

- LH enabled 423 customer generation connections
 - ▶ 89,710 kW of local power
 - > 21,348 kW (23.5%) from renewable energy sources

City of London Generation Types

Local Generation - City of London



- Solar, 19.7%
- Hydro, 0.7%
- Biogas, 3.0%
- Non-Renewable, 76.5%





Thinking of becoming a Renewable Energy Generator?

Early Consultation is Key

When planning a project, consult London Hydro as early as possible in the planning phase.

(Restricted Feeders)

This could save you major headaches and money down the road.





Thinking of becoming a Renewable Energy Generator?

Generation Size Categories

< 10kW

 No Connection Impact Assessment (CIA) study required

10kW to 500kW

London Hydro CIA study required

500kW to 10,000kW

London Hydro and Hydro One Distribution CIA required

>10,000kW

London Hydro, Hydro One Dx, Hydro One TX and the IESO need to perform studies

Thinking of becoming a Renewable Energy Generator?

Net Metering

- Must be renewable
- Can have batteries along with renewable

Net Metering uses the LDC system as storage system

Two-way flow

Load Displacement

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- Behind the meter generation
- Can be any form of generation, however it is almost exclusively nonrenewable
- Mainly natural gas
- Diesel backup
- Recently it has been BESS -ICI Program (IESO 5 peaks)
- Non-exporting



Conservation Demand Management (CDM)

Since 2013 London Hydro CDM programs

- reduced customers' electricity use by 231,046 MWh
- Reduced customers' GHG emissions by 8,044 t CO₂e

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Customer Engagement Solutions MyLondonHydro



Utility account portal for electricity and water consumption, billing and notifications



Click on your usage bar on the graph to see more details.

NOTIFICATION TYPE	EMAIL	SMS/TEXT	PHONE
Outage Where possible we will notify you if there is an outage affecting your electric service.	ON	ON	OFF
Outage Restoration Time Where possible, you will be notified of any changes in the expected time that power will be restored.	ON	ON	OFF
Overdue Payment Notifications When possible, you will be notified if \$100 or more is past due	ON	ON	OFF
High Electricity Usage Alert You will be notified if your weekly usage is more than your notification threshold. Click here to configure the notification threshold. (Your current alert threshold is 1 times your weekly average)	ON	ON	
Continuous Water Flow (i) You will be notified if there is continuous flow of water. Click here to configure the notification threshold. (Your current alert threshold is 12 hours of continuous usage)	ON	ON	
High Water Consumption (i) You will be notified if your monthly usage is more than your notification threshold. Click here to configure the notification threshold. (Your current alert threshold is 13 m^3)	ON	ON	
Low Water Consumption (\hat{i}) You will be notified if your monthly usage is less than your notification threshold. Click here to configure the notification threshold. (Your current alert threshold is 5 m ³)	ON	ON	

Property Management Portal

- Includes tools to assist Property Managers and their Delegates
- Supports Energy and Water Reporting and Benchmarking (EWRB)
 - 50,000 sq. Ft or larger commercial, industrial, multi-unit residential and other building types are required to annually report energy and water consumption to the Minister of Energy







Interval Data Center / Commerce

Commercial and Industrial Customers

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Green Button Required for Utilities by Nov 2023

The Green Button Initiative is an industry-led effort which:

- Enables **customer choice** of energy management software solutions, services and apps
- Enables **easy and secure access** to energy usage information in a consumer/computer friendly format
- Includes three types of data: Electricity, Natural Gas, and Water Usage
- Ensures customer data privacy & secure transmission of data
- Enables utility customers **better control** over energy usage, reduction of consumption, and lowering their costs



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Sustainable Energy Pilots

Empowering Sustainable Energy Actions

Piloted Innovative Electricity Price Plans

- real-time energy information program
- critical peak pricing program

Plus Pilot energy conservation project

smart home devices to test leading-edge energy management tools

London Hydro, Enbridge and City of London Pilot (2021)

- Advanced hybrid heating system
- high-efficiency gas furnaces and electric air-source heat pumps
- integrated smart controls integrates weather and fuel costs
- reduced energy costs and GHG emissions









Sustainable Transportation

EV charging pilot with Elocity informed customer actions

- real-time data for on/off control
- cost per charge & expected mileage per charge

London Transit Commission

- Engaged stakeholder
- Facilitating Electrification of Transit

EV Curbside Charging Stations

• Co funded, operate 6 downtown EV charging stations









Distributed Energy Resources

West 5 net-zero energy community - Utility Scale Smart Micro Grid

- Canada's first large-scale, fully integrated, net-zero energy community
- data management and communications
- electric vehicle infrastructure
- solar power generation
- battery storage







Sustainability at London Hydro





Where we Work Our Workplace and the Environment

Energy and Water Resources





Since 2004, London Hydro has reduced

- Electricity Use by 21.4%
- Natural Gas Use by 28.2%
- Water Use by 40.2%

In 2020, London Hydro owned solar installations

- ► Generated 465,399 kWh
- Representing 17.5% of 2020 electricity use





The Way We Move

Our Transportation and the Environment

Fleet Management

Idling and Fleet Management Systems

Idling management systems saved 42,000 l (99 t CO2e) in 2019 and 2020

Strategic Purchasing Plans

▶ 10 PHEVs, 17 Hybrids

Monthly Fuel Use Summary













The Way We Green

Our commitment to the Environment

Raw Material Use

Reduce



Think B4U Print (215 trees since 2013)*

* source: conservatree.org 1 tree =8,333 sheets 1 ton paper (907.2 kg) = 12 trees

- Aeroplan® Paperless Billing (70,000 customers)
- (≈ 1,500 trees since 2014)
- > Σ 1,715 trees saved (both programs)

Reuse



- 270 refurbished transformers (TE) in 5 years 170 tonnes of raw materials
- 350 km of cable injected in last 10 years 548 tonnes of raw material
- Total 718 t of raw material (TE & Cable)

Recycle



App. 1,651 tonnes recycled



The Way We Green Our commitment to the Environment

Landfill Waste

Recycling to Reduce Waste to landfill

- 54% landfill waste reduction since 2013 •
- Insulator Diversion Program •
 - 111.2 tonnes YTD since 2016







The Way We Green Our commitment to the Environment

Community Engagement and Communications

- Annual Earth Day Cleanup Event
- Annual Environmental Sustainability Report
 - Annual Carbon Footprint







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https://www.londonhydro.com/about-us/about-london-hydro/sustainability-reports



The Way We Green Our commitment to the Environment

London Hydro's GHG Emissions



GHG Emissions Activity Ratio

(CO2e (kg) per Customer and Metering Points (C&MP))



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QUESTIONS

