Stakeholder Feedback and IESO Response

Industrial Program Evolution: Final Design -August 21, 2025

Following the August 21, 2025, Industrial Energy Efficiency Program Evolution: Final Design engagement webinar, the IESO invited stakeholders to provide comments and feedback on the materials presented by September 5, 2025.

The IESO received written feedback submissions from:

Ontario Power Generation on September 3, 2025

The presentation materials and stakeholder feedback submissions have been posted on the Electricity <u>Demand Side Management (eDSM) Framework</u> engagement webpage for this engagement. Please reference the material for specific feedback as the below information provides excerpts and/or a summary only.

Feedback: Fuel Switching and Electrification

Stakeholder Feedback

A stakeholder expressed interest in how the Industrial Program could support fuel switching from fossil fuels to electricity as part of Ontario's decarbonization objectives. broader decarbonization goals. They asked whether the IESO has approved any such projects to date and whether specific eligibility criteria have been developed—or could be developed—to enable fuel switching within the Industrial Program or other eDSM offerings.

IESO Response

We appreciate the feedback and recognize the importance of aligning the Industrial Program with

While the program does not include a dedicated stream for fuel switching, the design allows caseby-base consideration of electrification projects when the primary outcome is measured electricity savings, not just fuel displacement.

The IESO is actively assessing pathways to support beneficial electrification, including alternative baselines and cost-effectiveness approaches. We welcome continued stakeholder input on this topic.

