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To Independent Electricity Systems Operator,

Ontario needs to phase out gas-fired electricity in Ontario by 2030 in order to help achieve critical climate goals. Increasing gas-fired electricity generation will worsen our deepening climate crisis and put our children and their offspring at peril.

There are much better, low-cost ways to generate electricity including wind, solar, and Quebec hydro power. Both the US and the UK committed to transitioning to zero carbon electricity systems. Ontario must now do the same.

Developing huge increase in gas plants will make Ontario's dismally weak climate targets even worse.

Since the vast majority of current gas-plant contracts will expire by 2030, it's an ideal time to phase out gas.

Yours truly,

Harold Smith 