

IESO Engagement

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To Independent Electricity Systems Operator,

Scientists, politicians from all parties, and increasingly the public now recognize the existence of the climate crisis and the vital need to meet the international climate and greenhouse gas goals by 2030 and 2050.

Phasing out gas fired electricity is an important step towards critical climate goals. Because of this Ontario needs to phase out gas-fired electricity in Ontario by 2030. Allowing any increase in the use of gas-fired electricity going forward will worsen our deepening climate crisis and is completely inexcusable.

There are existing low-cost ways to generate electricity such as wind, solar, and Quebec hydro power, that are associated with much less greenhouse gas emissions and which are much less harmful for the climate. Both the US and the UK have committed to transitioning to zero carbon electricity systems. Ontario must now make the same commitment.

The vast majority of current gas-plant contracts will expire by 2030, so it's the perfect time to phase out gas.

Please act with the interests of the public and in particular of the young residents of Ontario to help meet our climate targets.

Please put the health and welfare of the residents of Ontario that you were elected to represent above the interests of the fossil fuel industry and other private industry.

Please support phasing out gas plants by 2030 and establish 2025 targets for this purpose.

Yours truly,

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