

Feedback Form

Regional Electricity Planning in the GTA East Region – September 14, 2026

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Following the GTA East regional planning webinar held on September 14, 2026, the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking feedback on the detailed options analysis and draft recommendations to meet the needs. A copy of the presentation as well as recording of the session can be accessed from the [engagement web page](#).

Please submit feedback to engagement@ieso.ca by October 5, 2026.

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What feedback do you have on the draft recommendations?	Avera supports the proposed Clarington 230/44 kV DESN and targeted eDSM. The IRRP should clarify that the finding against a 625 MW BESS replacement does not exclude smaller, locally targeted BESS projects.

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	Please identify any interim or future opportunities for 4.99–20 MW resources.
What information needs to be considered regarding the draft recommendations?	For a proposed 5–10 MW BESS project in the Clarington area, an existing Hydro One preliminary assessment identifies a 44 kV connection path. Please advise: • whether the current regional plan could support a project of this scale; • any station, thermal, short-circuit, voltage or protection constraints; and • whether non-export or limited export could improve feasibility. Please clarify how the outlook may change after planned regional upgrades and whether the proposed Clarington DESN could create additional connection capacity for distribution-connected BESS.
How can the IESO continue to engage with communities and stakeholders as the recommendations are implemented, or to help prepare for the next planning cycle.	Please establish coordinated early-stage screening among the IESO, Hydro One and the relevant LDC. A simple station-level classification for non-export, limited-export and export-constrained BESS would help developers avoid unsuitable sites.

General Comments/Feedback

Averon Energy Group is evaluating distribution-connected BESS opportunities in the Clarington area. We recognize that final feasibility requires a project-specific assessment. We consent to publication of this submission.