

Feedback Form

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What are some of your key developments, projects or initiatives that might be considered in developing the electricity demand forecast?	

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<p>Please tell us about any local electricity concerns that you may be experiencing.</p>	<p><u>Energy Security in Treaty #3</u> In the traditional territory of Treaty #3, many communities experience power disruptions that, at times, cause significant loss, i.e. food security. It is important to note that potential outages also impacting heating and cooling during extreme weather events throughout the Territory and can also impact access to drinking water and other important resources. The Treaty #3 communities area not considered remote and do not rely on diesel.</p>
<p>Upon reviewing the draft engagement plan, what information do you need to participate in this engagement?</p>	<p>Treaty #3 in order to fully engage in the process has hired an energy coordinator in Treaty #3. However, additional resources are always considered and necessary to ensure proper engagement with the 28 Treaty #3 communities.</p>

General Comments/Feedback

As a traditional, political organization providing feedback, where individual communities may not be doing so, we would like to provide the following comments and questions:

- The Anishinaabe Nation of Treaty #3 has a strong interest in energy sovereignty. Many communities are beginning to work on community energy plans, as well as beginning a journey of partnering with transmitters and distributors. As we become more accustomed to the changing landscape that is unfolding in Ontario related to the Market Renewal System, we expect communities will take a more active role, in which case, there may be requests for one-on-one dialogue. In addition, communities will most likely begin to eek out opportunities for economic development as changes unfold in this market.
- As the Ontario grid is expanded through the East West Tie Transmission Project to connect with Manitoba, we are wondering if any consideration has been given to the potential for the exchange of energy by means of purchase agreements for demand or emergencies due to weather extremes?
- In the same line of questioning, as the Ontario grid expands for full connection across Canada, has consideration been given to the potential sale of electricity to the US?

- Has any consideration been given to Canada's national energy plan where new policies are being enacted, and new energy developments related to hydrogen and small modular reactors are promoted?