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The industry's monthly bulletin featuring updates, briefings, links and resources from the Association of Power Producers of Ontario.

Noteworthy News:

Achieving Excellence in Electricity Planning - APPrO recommendations

De-risking investment and ownership by providing a longer line of sight and greater clarity is key to long term planning in the electricity sector, APPrO said in its submission to the Ontario government on April 27. "Transparency, stakeholder engagement, accountability, effectiveness and affordability should be the foremost objectives in the planning framework." APPrO also stressed that the system should encourage government to set broad objectives for the sector, before the planning process starts.

[APPrO submission on Long Term Planning, April 27 2021](#)

IESO supports Ontario Indigenous energy projects, training

Ontario's Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) has announced it is providing \$7.1 million in funding to 61 Indigenous communities and entrepreneurs for energy planning, generation and skills development, Daily Commercial News reports. Some of the projects will help non-grid-connected communities accelerate the transition away from diesel generation by installing renewable generation or energy storage.

[Report in Daily Commercial News](#)

Canada's first Local Electricity Market launches

Agencies at the local, provincial and national level have collaborated to create Canada's first local electricity market. Based on initial results, the competition was healthy and prices were attractive. The first commitment period began on May 1, 2021.

[Promising results from Canada's first Local Electricity Market](#)

Regulatory modernization package targets generator connections

The latest package of regulatory reforms under the Ontario government's "Red Tape Reduction" program features measures of interest to power producers. These include "legislative changes to level the playing field to ensure that all types of electricity generation are treated on a first-come, first-served basis in regard to grid connections."

It also mandates "cost-effective implementation of the Green Button standard by Ontario's regulated electricity and natural gas utilities."

[Briefing from Sussex Strategy Group](#)

IESO responds to feedback on the APO

The latest information on Ontario's Annual Planning Outlook is now available including a recording of the January stakeholder session, stakeholder feedback, and the IESO's April 26 and May 5 responses to the stakeholder feedback.

[IESO Planning and Forecasting Stakeholder Engagement \(April 26 entry\)](#)

See also:

[IESO response to stakeholder feedback on the Integrated Bulk System Planning Process, May 5, 2021](#)

Comment:

Ontario Needs Gas-Fired Electricity

Responding to a range of public comments on gas-fired electricity, the Ontario Chamber of Commerce (OCC) and Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters (CME) urged the Ontario government "not to phase out gas-fired electricity so that industry can adequately balance environmental and economic objectives in Ontario."

[Ontario Chamber of Commerce](#)

Risk tolerance challenges

The public assesses risk of energy choices in very different ways depending on the context. Better alignment between actual risk and perceived risk could go a long way towards achieving social acceptance and more rational energy choices. Better understanding of the social science is likely part of the answer.

[Fukushima 10 years later – its time to focus on the social science](#)

Volunteer Opportunities:

APPrO is looking for energy professionals to serve on its Conference Committee, to provide input on key questions to be addressed at the next [Canadian Power Conference](#). For more information, [contact the APPrO office](#).

Events:

Mark your calendar for APPrO 2021 – The Canadian Power Conference and Networking Event

November 29 - 30, 2021

[More information at appro2021.com](http://appro2021.com)

Ontario Waterpower Association “Power of Water” annual conference

May 25 – 27, 2021

Owa.ca

Resources:

[APPrO News and publications](#)

[Archive of APPrO weekly news briefs](#)

[APPrO’s LinkedIn Feed](#)

[Archive of articles posted on LinkedIn](#)

[Twitter: #APPrO2020](#)

[Facebook](#) - APPrO’s Power Memory Project [YouTube](#)

APPrO’s summary of [Social links](#) to join the conversation

[APPrO PowerConnect](#) conference web app (available with presentations post event)

[APPrO PowerTopic](#) program suggestion tool

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