



The Prince Wind Farm north of Sault Ste. Marie, Ontario. Ontario has tremendous renewable power potential.

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DEAR MR. SMITHERMAN, I support a responsible approach to renewing Ontario's electricity system. Please implement all cost-effective conservation and clean energy solutions and **do not** allow nuclear power companies to pass their capital cost overruns on to Ontario's electricity consumers or taxpayers. **I look forward to learning more about your green vision for Ontario's electricity system.**

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WE CAN KEEP THE LIGHTS ON WITHOUT NUCLEAR:

1. Ontario's wind power potential is more than 10 times greater than our total electricity consumption.
2. Ontario's biomass power potential from agriculture and municipal waste is equal to about 25% of our total electricity consumption.
3. Ontario still has untapped water power potential and can cost-effectively import large amounts of hydro power from Quebec.
4. Ontario's electricity consumption per person is 50% higher than New York State's. We can meet a big chunk of our power needs simply by using energy more efficiently.
5. Ontario can make much better use of natural gas by using it to provide two services - heat and power - instead of just heat through super-efficient combined heat and power systems located in hospitals, schools, shopping centres, apartment towers, office buildings and factories.

These options will create more jobs, cost less overall and address our climate impact now - not decades from now.

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT HOW ONTARIO CAN HAVE A 100% GREEN ELECTRICITY GRID BY 2027 AT www.OntariosGreenFuture.ca

Ontario's Green Future is the vision of the Ontario Clean Air Alliance (OCAA). The OCAA is a coalition of health and environmental organizations, faith communities, municipalities, utilities, unions, corporations and individuals working for cleaner air through a coal phase-out and a shift to a renewable electricity future.



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Ontario is proposing to spend more than

\$26 BILLION

on new nuclear power



DON'T LET THE GOVERNMENT GIVE THE NUCLEAR INDUSTRY ANOTHER BIG BLANK CHEQUE

NO NUCLEAR PROJECT IN ONTARIO HAS EVER BEEN FINISHED ON-TIME OR ON-BUDGET.

Now, Ontario's energy planners are calling for massive new spending on nuclear energy. But their cost estimates are less than half those of the experts at internationally respected Moody's Investors Service. And it is Ontario taxpayers and ratepayers who will be on the hook when the costs of these nuclear projects spiral out of control.



YOU'RE ALREADY PAYING FOR ONTARIO'S PAST NUCLEAR MISTAKES WITH A MONTHLY DEBT RETIREMENT CHARGE ON YOUR HYDRO BILL.

Your grandkids will likely still be paying this charge unless we adopt more responsible energy planning. The Government currently intends to sign a contract in the spring of 2009 for the construction of new nuclear reactors at the Darlington Nuclear Station. Based on Moody's cost estimates, this project **alone** will cost **\$26 billion** — the amount the Ontario Power Authority has budgeted for its **entire** proposed nuclear expansion program over the next 20 years. There are many better options for meeting Ontario's electricity needs than another risky bet on nuclear power. (See back panel for just some of these.)

Support our call for a **NUCLEAR COST RESPONSIBILITY ACT** that will prevent nuclear cost overruns from being passed on to ratepayers and taxpayers. Ontario has signed hundreds of renewable and natural gas electricity generation contracts and not one of these contracts allows for capital cost overruns to be passed on to the public. **IT'S TIME TO END NUCLEAR POWER'S COSTLY SPECIAL DEALS.** Contact Energy Minister George Smitherman at 416-327-6758 and tell him that nuclear power companies must not be allowed to pass their capital cost overruns on to Ontario's electricity consumers or taxpayers and send him the attached postcard.

SIGN OUR CONSUMER PROTECTION PETITION AT www.OntariosGreenFuture.ca

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