

Feedback Form

Electricity Demand Side Management (eDSM) Framework – April 24, 2025

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Following the April 24, 2025 engagement webinar, the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) is seeking feedback on the items discussed during the webinar. The webinar presentation and recording can be accessed from the [Electricity Demand Side Management \(eDSM\) engagement page](#)

To promote transparency, feedback submitted will be posted on the Electricity Demand Side Management (eDSM) engagement page unless otherwise requested by the sender. If you wish to provide confidential feedback, please mark “Yes” below:

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Please submit feedback to engagement@ieso.ca by May 8, 2025. Please use subject: Feedback: eDSM Engagement Session

2025-2027 Program Plan

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| What considerations should the IESO keep in mind as we implement the 2025-2027 Program Plan? | Planning electricity capacity needs that account for municipal Green Development Standards and climate targets. Provide support to LDCs in their electricity capacity upgrade work and a standard methodology for accounting for climate targets, green standards from electrification and the efficiency gains from HVAC technologies such as heat pumps. Supporting local municipalities with public education (especially to the development community) on the efficiency benefits of heat pumps. Support and education for the role of load shifting to avoid restricting the electrical grid during peak demand. Stronger direction to LDCs to support municipal climate targets and work with local municipalities to publish electrical capacity maps similar to Toronto Hydro. Clear direction to LDCs to opt in for the new incentives programs being developed. |

Additional Opportunities

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| The IESO intends to increase the scope and scale of its DSM programming over this longer-term framework – where do you see opportunities that should be considered in the next three to six years | Supporting local municipal Green Development Standards and emissions reduction targets and factoring in these targets for electricity capacity needs. The Town has had industrial applicants that have been limited in their ability to electrify and install renewables due to capacity constraints. Consider the role for micro-grids and renewables as a solution for capacity restricted areas. Financial support for the development community in bringing more electrical capacity to their sites. Dedicated budget to marketing and communication of the new incentives available for homeowners and businesses. |

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| How would you like to be involved? Are there specific topics or initiatives related to DSM that you would like to provide feedback on in future? | Happy to meet with IESO to discuss Caledon's specific needs and challenges, potential innovation and energy generating opportunities. Would be interested in setting up a touchbase meeting with the IESO at an agreed upon frequency (e.g. annual, twice a year, etc.) |

General Comments/Feedback

The Town is keen for innovative solutions to meeting electrical capacity challenges. The Town's population is tripling in size from now to 2050, we have a unique opportunity to look at innovative solutions to meeting new electrical capacity needs that meet our Green Standards and climate targets. Support from the IESO on innovation, renewable energy opportunities, microgrids, district energy would be valuable.