

IESO Engagement

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To Independent Electricity Systems Operator,

WE DO NOT WANT NUCLEAR ENERGY/RADIOACTIVE WASTE. Ontario also needs to phase out gas-fired electricity by 2030. This is an important step toward critical climate goals. Allowing any increase in the use of gas-fired electricity will worsen our deepening climate crisis.

We have much better, low-cost ways to generate electricity including wind, solar, and Quebec hydro power (NOT NUCLEAR ENERGY). Both the US and the UK committed to transitioning to zero carbon electricity systems. Ontario must now make the same commitment.

Ontario won't meet even its current weak climate targets if it allows a huge increase in gas plants, or relies on small nuclear reactors (SMRs) that will take at least 10 years to develop (and will create liquid radioactive waste that is more toxic to life, risk terrorist attacks to gain the reprocessed -about 3%- radioactive waste, and risk nuclear proliferation). NUCLEAR ENERGY IS NOT CLEAN, and is a disaster for our environment and all forms of life. WE DO NOT WANT TO INVEST ANY TAXPAYER DOLLARS IN NUCLEAR ENERGY!

The vast majority of current gas-plant contracts will expire by 2030, and many nuclear power plants are reaching their ends. It is the perfect time to phase out gas and nuclear power.

Do not disregard citizens' input, as our feedback is critical to reaching net-zero targets. Our hard-earned tax payer dollars are best spent on prevention in achieving net-zero CO2 targets, rather than dealing with extremely costly, devastating effects of climate change.

Yours truly,

Janet Graham 