

Feedback Form

Local Generation Program – April 23, 2025

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Existing contract number (if applicable): Click or tap here to enter text.

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Date: May 9, 2025

Following the April 23, 2025 webinar to provide information on the Local Generation Program (LGP) and the high-level design of the program, the IESO is seeking feedback on the high-level design of the recontracting stream of the LGP

The referenced presentation and supporting materials can be found under the April 23, 2025 entry on the [Local Generation Program webpage](#).

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- ☐ Yes – there is confidential information, do not post
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Please provide feedback by May 9, 2025 to engagement@ieso.ca. Please use subject: *Feedback: Local Generation Program.*

Specific Questions for Existing Facilities / Suppliers:

Timing and logistical issues in recontracting

1. How long before the expiration of your existing contract could you confidently submit a price (\$/MWh) to continue operation of the facility after the contract expires?

- ☐ 1 year
- ☐ 2 years
- ☐ 3 years
- ☐ 4 years
- ☐ 5 years
- ☐ More than 5 years

2. In the case of recontracting, would you prefer (multiple choice):

- ☐ For my new contract to start immediately after the old contract expires; or
- ☐ To be able to propose a new contract term start date; or
- ☐ Something else (please provide details)

[Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

3. Do you anticipate any need to shut down your facility temporarily when the existing contract expires?

- ☐ Yes

If yes, for how long?

[Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

- ☐ No
- ☐ Not sure

If not sure, what additional information do you need?

[Click or tap here to enter text.](#)

4. Do you anticipate any need to shut down your facility permanently when the existing contract expires?

- ☐ Yes

If yes, what is the reason?

Click or tap here to enter text.

- ☐ No
- ☐ Not sure

If not sure, what additional information do you need?

Click or tap here to enter text.

5. What risks and or challenges do you anticipate around being able to recontract your existing facility to supply electricity?

Click or tap here to enter text.

Refurbishments, upgrades and expansions

6. Are you planning to refurbish, upgrade or expand your facility?

Click or tap here to enter text.

- a. If you are planning to change your facility, when would you want to do that?

Click or tap here to enter text.

7. Do you intend to increase your installed capacity or keep it the same as the existing capacity? Please describe why it might remain the same or change.

Click or tap here to enter text.

8. Do you know if your connection point and or local circuits could support an expansion or upgrade? Please provide details.

Click or tap here to enter text.

9. What risks and or challenges do you anticipate around refurbishing / upgrading or expanding your facility?

Click or tap here to enter text.

Other Comments/Feedback

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General Comments/Feedback

As the IESO advances the design of the Local Generation Program (LGP), there is a unique opportunity to build a framework that strengthens provincial adequacy, supports municipal energy goals, and activates local generation and flexibility; and Local Distribution Companies (LDCs) are well-positioned to partner in the delivery of this vision.

As outlined in the then-Minister of Energy and Electrification’s November 2024 directive, the LGP is intended to secure new and existing distribution-connected generation to “help meet regional and system-wide supply needs,” while also “supporting municipal clean energy commitments,” “addressing local energy supply concerns,” and “empowering more Ontario customers and businesses to participate in the electricity system.” These objectives point to a structure where local system actors, particularly LDCs, play an enabling role.

We suggest a structure for the LGP that builds on LDCs’ operational relationship with distribution-connected resources and the successes of frameworks like eDSM and the previous CDM programs. Programs should be **stackable** and **non-exclusive** to the extent possible to promote the realization of value to the distribution and transmission systems.

This approach complements the Minister’s directive by providing a pathway for more Ontarians to participate meaningfully in the energy system while enhancing the cost-effectiveness of procurement decisions. The LGP should reflect a coordinated and forward-looking approach, recognizing the enabling role of LDCs to strengthen provincial reliability through better use of distribution-connected capacity.

We look forward to continued engagement with the IESO on all aspects of the LGP.