

# **Electricity System and Conservation in Ontario**

Managing Residential Electricity Demand: Learning from Experience in the UK and Ontario

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## **Energy – Quick Facts**

- Population 12,800,000
- 40 percent of Canadian GDP; 52 percent of manufacturing shipments
- 40 percent of Canadian employment; high employment in resource extraction/ processing, manufacturing, services
- Ontario still a leader in North American auto production – 14 assembly plants and over 400 parts manufacturers
- Merchandise exports US\$170 billion a year 84 percent to US
- Ontario leads G-7 in exports as share of GDP (68.5 percent, compared to Germany's 41.5 percent and U.S.'s 10 percent)
- Energy a vital input; Ontario still relatively inexpensive



source: http://www.nationalgeographic.com/geographyaction/habitats/popup\_state-international.html



### **Ontario's Electricity Sector**

- Canadian constitution gives provincial government significant authority over natural resources including electricity resources
- Ontario is one of most energy-intensive jurisdictions in the world
- Total annual consumption of 156 terawatt hours (billion kWh) valued at \$12 billion/year
  Residential: 33 percent
  - Commercial/Institutional: 35 percent
  - Industrial: 31 percent
- Average homeowner uses ~ 900 to 1,000 kWh/month
- Bottom line: retail electricity price of 11.4 ¢/kWh
- All homes to have smart meters and time of use rates by 2010







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## **Integrated Power System Plan**

- A road map for reliable, competitive and sustainable electricity future
- Has a 20-year outlook, updated every three years
- Four key results:
  - 1. Growth in peak demand is reduced by 75 percent through conservation
  - 2. Coal is replaced in the supply mix with renewable energy and natural gas
  - 3. Nuclear power is restored through refurbishments and new builds
  - 4. Transmission is reinforced for reliable service and to connect renewable energy to population centres
- IPSP currently in interrogatories phase of regulatory review by Ontario Energy Board; issues list defined by Board in January 2008
- \$10 billion to be invested in conservation; \$1.2 billion over the next three years





## **Ontario's Present and Future Supply Mix**



2027: Installed MW: 2027 Renew ables, 17,334 Nuclear, 13,289 Nuclear Renewables Coal Gas/Oil Conservation



#### **Conservation Targets**



- 6,300 MW reduction in peak demand by 2025
- Interim targets of 1,350 MW by 2007 and another 1,350 MW by 2010
- 2007 results were 1,350 MW (currently being verified)
- OPA to lead, coordinate, facilitate and build conservation capability



#### **Other Benefits of Conservation**

#### The Three Es:

- **Employment** benefits: labourintensive, local jobs
- **Economic** benefits: efficiency is costeffective for households and makes private sector more competitive
- **Environmental**/health benefits: reduced GHGs, acid rain, smog



