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### Directives to OPA from Minister of Energy and Infrastructure



#### List of Minister's Directives to OPA

##### **March 24, 2005**

2,500 MW RFP - Execution and delivery of CES contracts and a DR contract in accordance with the terms of the 2 500 MW RFP.

##### **June 15, 2005**

"Early Movers" - Negotiate and Conclude Contracts with Certain Generation Facilities.

##### **June 15, 2005**

Procurement Processes - Immediate Launch of Procurement Processes to address needs in Downtown Toronto and Western Greater Toronto Area, and to develop additional Demand Management, Demand Response, and High Efficiency Combined Heat and Power Supply.

##### **October 6, 2005**

CDM Initiatives (Residents of Low-Income and Social Housing) - to reduce overall electricity energy consumption and demand for low-income and social housing.

##### **October 14, 2005**

Contracts for the Refurbishment of Bruce A at the Bruce Nuclear Facility Generating Station - Deliver to counterparties on October 17, 2005, the Bruce Power Refurbishment Agreement and the Refinancing Agreement.

##### **October 20, 2005**

CDM Initiatives (Appliance Change-Out and Efficient Lighting Initiatives) - to reduce overall electricity consumption and demand by residential, commercial, and industrial customers.

##### **October 20, 2005**

GTA West Supply Initiative - Goreway Station Project - immediately execute an Implementation Agreement with project proponent re costs that must be incurred if in service is summer of 2007; negotiate contract by December 31, 2005.

##### **November 7, 2005**

RES I RFP - MOE directing the OPA to assume, by November 10, 2005 responsibility for all contracts previously the responsibility of the OEFC (Buyer) as agent of the Crown, that were from its June 24, 2004 RFP to procure 300 MW of new electricity supply.

##### **November 16, 2005**

RES II RFP - Contracts relating to the RFP for 1,000 MW of Renewable Energy Supply Projects with a Contract Capacity of between 20 MW and 200 MW, inclusive, issued by the MOE on June 17, 2005, as amended (the "RES II" RFP). The OPA is directed to enter into contracts with the nine suppliers who were selected pursuant to the RES II RFP and listed in the directive.

##### **December 14, 2005**

Early Movers - Negotiate and Conclude Contracts with Certain Generation Facilities - replaces June 15, 2005 directive - "Early Movers".

##### **February 9, 2006**

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Procurement Processes - Addendum #1 to Procurement Processes Directive of June 15, 2005 (to be consolidated as part of the original directive).

**February 10, 2006**

Toronto Reliability Supply and Conservation Initiative - with respect to 2,500 MW RFP and priority zones 1) Leaside Sector by summer 2008; PEC contract by May 2006; OPA to seek 300 MW of DSM or DR in Toronto by 2010.

**March 10, 2006**

Conservation and DSM Initiatives Commercial Buildings and MUSH Sector - Directing OPA to assume responsibility for this expanded initiative and implement by fall of 2007 reducing demand in commercial buildings and MUSH sector by 150 MW.

**March 10, 2006**

Conservation and DSM Initiatives (Residential Sector) - Directing OPA to assume responsibility for this initiative and implement by fall of 2007 reducing demand in residential sector by 150 MW.

**March 21, 2006**

Standard Offer Program - directing OPA to have the Program in place by the fall of 2006, and as a consequence enter into contracts with small renewable generators to implement the Program.

**June 13, 2006**

Integrated Power System Plan - OPA to create IPSP to meet DR from conservation by 6,300 MW by 2025. Plan should reduce projected peak demand by 1,350 MW by 2010, and by another 3,600 MW by 2025. The reductions of 1,350 MW and 3,600 MW are to be in addition to the 1,350 MW reduction set by the government as a target for 2007.

**July 13, 2006**

Coordination and Funding of LDC activities to deliver CDM Programs - Immediately organizing the delivery and funding of CDM programs through LDCs in Ontario. Funding limited to \$400 million over three consecutive years.

**June 14, 2007**

Clean Energy and Waterpower in Northern Ontario Standard Offer - to expand the SOP initiative in the areas of clean energy supply and small, transmission-connected waterpower projects in northern Ontario; and to have these parts of the SOP in place by the fall of 2007. It is expected that the OPA will enter into contracts with small generators to implement these parts of the SOP.

**August 27, 2007**

Procurement of up to 2,000 MW of Renewable Energy Supply - Directive based on potential identified by OPA for up to 2,000 MW of new renewable generation projects that are greater than 10 MW in size to come into service by 2015. The OPA is further directed to ensure that appropriate consultation with First Nations and Métis peoples takes place with respect to projects procured by the OPA under this directive.

**December 20, 2007**

Hydroelectric Energy Supply Agreements with Ontario Power Generation Inc. - Letter from the Ministry to further the renewable energy capacity in Ontario by 2025 by directing the OPA to assume the responsibility of negotiating with OPG a number of contracts respecting hydroelectric projects located at the following OPG hydroelectric station sites: 1. LAC Seul; 2. Upper Mattagami; 3. Healey Falls; 4. Lower Mattagami; and 5. Hound Chute

**January 31, 2008**

Procuring Approximately 350 MW of New Gas-Fired Electricity Generation for Northern York Region - The letter from the Minister directs the OPA to develop local area generation to address supply inadequacy issues in the Northern York Region. The OPA is therefore directed to competitively procure a simple (single)-cycle gas-fired electricity generation facility with a rated generation capacity of approximately 350 MW and not more than 400 MW. The facility is expected to be in-service by no later than December 31, 2011 and should be in the vicinity of the 230 kV transmission lines supplying the Armitage and Holland transformer stations.

**February 25, 2008**

Procuring Electricity From Energy From Waste ("EFW") Pilot or Demonstration Projects ("PDPs") - The Ministry of the Environment has developed an initiative to test and evaluate EFW technologies. The goal of this initiative is to encourage the development of new or improved EFW technologies with improved environmental performance. The Minister of Energy has directed the OPA to negotiate with the proponents of any pilot or demonstration EFW project participating in the initiative to procure any net electricity produced and offered from such project during the time that it is participating in the initiative.

**March 12, 2008**

Broadcasting Initiative - Procurement for Energy Conservation Advertisements - The Ministry has launched a major consumer education campaign on CDM particularly targeting the residential sector. The OPA is directed to assume responsibility for the initiative with respect to the procurement of advertising space for the broadcasting and publishing of certain advertisements. This activity is expected to cost approximately \$4 million.

**April 10, 2008**

Procurement for Electricity From Combined Heat and Power (CHP) Renewable Co-generation Projects –The OPA is directed to develop and launch a procurement process by no later than June 30, 2008 to result in contracts for about 100 MW with proponents of renewable energy projects deriving their energy source from CHP. Such contracts are to be entered into no later than December 31, 2008.

**May 1, 2008**

Broadcasting Initiative – Procurement for Energy Conservation Advertisements – As part of the Ministry's education campaign aimed at advancing public awareness on energy conservation, the OPA is directed to procure advertising space for the broadcasting/publishing of Summers Ads in Ontario. The goal is to have the Ads timed to run so that they are completed by the second week of August, 2008.

**August 18, 2008**

Southwest Greater Toronto Area (GTA) Supply – The Minister has directed the OPA to complete a procurement process by the end of June 2009 for a combined-cycle natural gas-fired electricity generation facility for generating up to approximately 850 MW. The new generation facility will address local area supply inadequacy issues in the Southwest GTA and is to be in-service by no later than December 31, 2013 to support the province's goal to replace coal-fired generation by 2014.

**September 17, 2008**

This Directive amends the Supply Mix Directive dated June 13, 2006. It requires the OPA to revisit the IPSP with a view to establishing new targets in a number of areas including with respect to renewable energy sources and conservation. The Directive also asks the OPA to undertake an enhanced process of consultation with First Nations and Métis communities in light of potential duty to consult obligations. The OPA is to provide the revised IPSP to the OEB within six months.

**December 19, 2008**

Procuring Electricity from a Commercial Durham and York Region Energy from Waste ("EFW") Facility – The Minister has directed the OPA to contract at a price of 8 cents per kilowatt-hour to procure electricity from the proposed commercial EFW facility being developed by the Regional Municipalities of Durham and York. The production of electricity from this facility will be ancillary to the primary purpose of the facility which is to reduce the need for land filling by the thermal treatment of residual wastes.

**December 22, 2008**

Broadcasting Initiative – Procurement for Energy Conservation Advertisements – As part of the Ministry's education campaign aimed at advancing public awareness of energy conservation, the OPA is directed to procure advertising space for the broadcasting/publishing of Winter Ads in Ontario. The Ads are to be completed by the last week of March, 2009.

**December 24, 2008**

Negotiating New Contracts with Early Movers Generation Facilities – The OPA is directed to negotiate new contracts with the owners or operators of the facilities that were listed in the direction on early movers dated December 14, 2005. The new contracts are to expire no later than December 31, 2026 and are to reflect a reasonable cost to Ontario electricity customers and a reasonable balancing of risk and reward.

**January 23, 2009**

Biogas Projects and Renewable Energy Standard Offer (RESOP) - The OPA is directed to contract with new biogas electricity generation projects that meet conditions under the current RESOP except that the facilities need not be restricted to farm-based projects, and that their capacity may be above 250kW but no greater than 5MW.

**Other Letters to OPA from Minister - Not Considered Directives****March 1, 2005**

York Region - request to help identify and assess possible solutions to address local reliability issues.

**May 2, 2005**

Supply Mix - commencement of long-term planning exercise and request for recommendation on supply mix. Minister requesting a report by December 1, 2005 to include amongst other things, conservation targets for 2015, 2020 and 2025; recommendations re adds of new renewable energy capacity by 2015, 2020 and 2025.

**August 18, 2005**

Standard Offer Program - Develop in co-operation with the OEB the terms and conditions for a standard offer program for small generators embedded in the distribution system that use clean or renewable resources.

**March 27, 2006**

Standard Offer Program - OPA to investigate economic and technical issues with connecting small waterpower projects to transmission systems in northern Ontario and provide recommendations to Minister.

**August 28, 2007**

Contracts for the Refurbishment of Bruce A at the Bruce Nuclear Generating Station - Letter from the Ministry consenting to the OPA entering into the First Amending Agreement and to materially amend the Refurbishment Implementation Agreement, and to amend the STAR Agreement. The letter indicated that the OPA provided a Fairness Opinion from CIBC World Markets regarding the First Amending Agreement and that the OPA briefed MOE staff and OFA staff on the details of the proposed amendments; and also that significant legal, financial and technical due diligence was taken with the proposed amendments to both the Refurbishment Implementation Agreement and STAR Agreement.

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