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## LETTER OF COMMENT

## **Comments:**

Enough of the constant increases in rates already. November 1st our hydro rates went up. And already they're looking for another increase. This is absolutely unacceptable.

We're paying some of the highest rates for electricity in Canada. How is it that other provinces provide the same service at far lower rates? Can we not model our electrical production from the other provinces who seem to be getting it right. Look at Quebec, look at BC. Both large provinces with concentrated populations in the southern areas. Ontario Hydro's webpage shows the figures:

http://www.ontario-hydro.com/index.php?page=electricity\_rates\_by\_province

By allowing constant price increases we are not encouraging any meaningful progress to reducing the cost of production.

I propose a hydro rate freeze. Much like what happened with Minimum Wage. A freeze on rates until the average cost for electricity in the rest of the country increases through inflation to meet our current rates. Hydro production in Ontario should be able to find ways to reduce their costs. Like every other business and governent agency, eventually they have to learn to live within their means.

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