

## City of St. Catharines

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Premier Kathleen Wynne Legislative Building Queen's Park Toronto ON M7A 1A1

Resolution of Support, Town of Arnprior – Rising Electricity Rates Our File: 35.11.2

Please be advised that the Council of the Corporation of the City of St. Catharines, at its regular meeting of March 3, 2014, resolved to support the above-referenced resolution from the Town of Arnprior.

For your complete information in this regard, I am attaching a copy of the correspondence received from the Town of Arnprior.

Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the Office of the City Clerk at Extension 1501.

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Attachment

cc Minister of Energy
Ontario Energy Board
Ontario Power Authority
AMO
Hon. Jim Bradley, St. Catharines MPP
Area Municipalities



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February 11, 2014

Kathleen Wynne, Premier Legislative Building Queen's Park Toronto, ON M7A 1A1

Dear Premier Wynne,

Please be advised that Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior, at their meeting held on February 10, 2014, adopted Resolution No. 059-14, as follows:

"WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior recognizes that increased electricity rates are challenging for the economic competitiveness of the Town of Arnprior and its residents;

AND WHEREAS the County of Renfrew passed a resolution on November 27, 2013 encouraging the Government of Ontario to ensure that our electricity rates both in the short and long-term, allow our businesses to remain competitive in a global environment and ensure that the vulnerable residents of our communities are not overburdened by ever-increasing electricity rates;

AND WHEREAS the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Arnprior supports the County of Renfrew in its attempt to encourage the Government of Ontario to not approve any further rate increases for electricity;

AND WHEREAS it is estimated that electricity costs will increase by approximately 50% within the next five years;

AND WHEREAS an increase in electricity rates by the Ontario Energy Board will exacerbate an existing problem for industry and consumers with low or fixed incomes in Arnprior;

## WHERE THE RIVERS MEET

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Arnprior urges in the strongest possible way that the Government of Ontario ensures that electricity rates both in the short and long-term, allow our businesses to remain competitive in a global environment and ensure that the vulnerable residents of our communities are not overburdened by ever-increasing electricity rates;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT this resolution be sent to the Premier of Ontario, the Minister of Energy and Infrastructure, the Ontario Energy Board, the Ontario Power Authority, Associations of Municipalities (AMO), MPP John Yakabuski, Ontario Municipalities and Local Municipalities in Renfrew County for support.

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Amprior urges the Ontario Energy Board in the strongest possible way not to approve any further rate increases for electricity."

Your assistance in ensuring our businesses stay competitive and our residents are not overburdened by ever-increasing electricity rates is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

Maureen Spratt, Clerk

c Minister of Energy and Infrastructure
Ontario Energy Board
Ontario Power Authority
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John Yakabuski, MPP Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke
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Renfrew County Municipalities (by email)