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LETTER OF COMMENT

Comments:

Geothermal Heating used to be a simple decision for home building in rural Ontario. With electric prices as high as they are, the entire geothermal market in Ontario has collapsed.

Yet a single Geothermal installation in a home saves the emission of 20 tonnes of CO2 per year.

The pricing polices of HydroOne under the government of Ontario have resulted in increased carbon emissions.

In order to fix this households with geothermal systems need to be treated as well as solar installs or wind turbines. At the going rate for electrical carbon reduction costs in Ontario from MicroFIT solar, geothermal owners would be getting paid to use electricity!

What about a new rate category to reflect the carbon reductions of the Ontario geothermal industry? Free delivery for 1/2 the consumers hydro bill would work well.

