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-- Comments --
Having just moved to the country and now having to deal with Hydro 1, I am not a happy customer. I applaud the rate reductions and tax reductions the current liberal government is attempting to implement. I also believe they are > half the cause of why this is now needed. Hydro 1 appears to be totally out of control. And tI believe the Province under liberal government has let this happen over the last 10 Years.

    My Parents lives in Rural Quebec and deal directly with Quebec Hydro.
After reviewing their rural hydro costs that appear to have a fixed distribution rate of < $30.00 per month and an electricity usage rate of <
5 cents a KWH with no time of day rate changes, I can see where we have a big problem in this province.

    I can see why all Hydro 1 customers are upset and the government is finally trying to reduce the costs.

    Having said this and understanding the Ontario Liberal government is attempting to reduce the current Hydro 1 rates. Does it really make any sense in approving a rate increase application for Hydro 1.

I believe a rate decrease would be the way to go. This company should get on board with the needs of its customers and this province and manage its business to support its customers. We have lost way too much industry and businesses in this province due to the cost of electricity.

    If Hydro 1cannot manage this electricity business so that it is affordable to the ratepayers of this province including the industries that rely on it then something more radical needs to be done to ensure this essential service can be maintained in the future.

A rate increase is not the answer.

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