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To Ontario Energy Board,

Kinga, on the homepage of your website, it says “I will support and fight for reduced hydro rates”. However, not only is the new Enbridge Dawn Parkway a project that objectively rejects Ontario’s current climate targets, but it also stands to increase energy bills here in Ontario (The construction of the pipeline is more expensive than investing in green renewables, receiving our electricity from Hydro Quebec and reducing our electricity needs through energy efficiency investment).

There is no climate consideration in building a pipeline expansion that will bring fracked gas from Pennsylvania to Ontario (only safety and reliability concerns are taken into consideration) even though building a pipeline for fracked gas is actively making people in Ontario less safe through its contribution to climate change.

There are other options to continue to power Ontario’s electricity grid as the nuclear power plants run their course.

- 1) We can invest in energy efficiency (retrofitting of homes and buildings) - Even though our population has grown, our demand for electricity has fallen by 10% since 2005 and this can continue through investment in energy efficient methods
- 2) We can invest in Made-in-Ontario clean renewable energy, through solar and wind power
- 3) We can import clean water power from Hydro Quebec (and follow Cornwall’s path. They have a 65% lower energy bill than Torontonians)

All three of these options will help us attain our absolutely vital climate targets (as opposed to a continued reliance on gas), provide a green, renewable future, help provide the beginning of a just transition for workers and still be cheaper than the current proposal for Enbridge Dawn Parkway.

When the time comes, I hope I can count on you to vote against this massive carbon emitter and energy bill increaser and push for a green, renewable future for the residents in Etobicoke Centre and Ontario as a whole.

Mark Shapland