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The Ontario Energy Board

-- Comment date -- 2021-03-03

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-- Comments --

Your government promised to keep our energy costs in check.

In addition to electricity costs, rural homeowners already shoulder 90% of the property tax burden in some rural municipalities! Waterfront property owners represent a significant proportion of many rural communities, and support local economic activity through our taxes, local purchases, volunteerism and other forms of community leadership.

As a seasonal cottage owner I would like to voice my concern about the extraordinary hydro bill increase we have been been informed of if the seasonal rate is eliminated. The delivery charge will be a 100% monthly increase which is excessive. It doesn't make sense to penalize the half of the population who put the least strain on the hydro system in order to decrease the bills of those who use the most hydro. I ask that you consider finding ways for full time residents to conserve energy for lowering their bills and allow the seasonal rate delivery charge, already high, to remain.

-- Attachment --