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Seasonal Class should be eliminated only as part of a consolidation of the rate classes to one. All utilities face different costs to serve various locations. Rates based on urban density will encourage penalized groups to seek alternatives to Hydro One. There are now several off-grid solutions such as Propane + Solar which are becoming popular. Net effect to HO will be a reduced customer base which will make servicing the remaining low density customers even more costly.

Time to move to one competitive rate class to encourage the use of low carbon energy.