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-- Do you reside in the impacted service area? -- Yes

-- Comments --

This proposes increase in price makes living even more unaffordable for Toronto residents. Instead of increasing prices by an astronomical amount, perhaps Toronto Hydro needs to innovate and find more efficient ways to provide services without increasing their prices more than 3% per year. The proposed increase would raise the prices by 16% for 2025, followed by a 5% increase for 2026, a 9% increase for 2027, and a 7% increase for 2028. That is as 37% increase between now and 2028. The average pay increase in income is 3% per year, so increasing an essential basic necessity by 37% when the raise in income would be 12% over that same time interval is outrageous. Please don't impoverish the working middle class and allow more reasonable increases in hydro rates.