



# MEMBER RELEASE

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## Ontario's Integrated *Energy for Generations* Plan: What It Means for OHBA Members

Today, the Government of Ontario unveiled ***Energy for Generations: Ontario's Integrated Plan to Power the Strongest Economy in the G7***, the province's first-ever integrated energy plan. By coordinating electricity, natural gas, hydrogen and emerging technologies under one roadmap, the plan is designed to keep energy **affordable, secure, reliable and clean**—all critical ingredients for meeting Ontario's ambitious housing-supply targets.

The Ontario Home Builders' Association (OHBA) was grateful to attend the announcement to celebrate this exciting milestone. We applaud the Ministry of Energy and Mines and Minister Stephen Lecce for moving quickly to adopt an integrated planning approach that gives industry the long-term certainty necessary to bring new homes to market on time and on budget.

"Ontario's new *Energy for Generations* plan gives home builders the long-term confidence and clarity we need to deliver the housing supply Ontario families are counting on. By locking in access to affordable natural gas through a clear policy statement—while simultaneously scaling nuclear, renewables, storage and hydrogen—the *Energy for Generations* plan gives builders the reliable, 24-7 energy backbone we depend on. Secure, diversified energy means shovels stay in the ground, costs stay predictable, and communities across Ontario can grow with confidence. This is the kind of forward-looking planning that powers economic growth, protects families from price spikes, and helps us deliver the hundreds of thousands of new homes Ontarians need."

— **Scott Andison, Chief Executive Officer, Ontario Home Builders' Association**

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### Key Points for Members:

- **Meeting Rapidly Growing Demand:** Electricity demand is forecast to rise 75% over 25 years—the equivalent of adding 4½ Torontos to the grid. The plan calls for major investments in energy efficiency, storage, transmission and the continent's largest nuclear build-out, targeting a grid that is >99 % zero-emission by 2050.
- **Natural Gas Policy Statement:** By formally safeguarding customer choice and expanding infrastructure, the government affirms natural gas as a cornerstone of energy security, affordability and industrial competitiveness—especially vital for growing suburban, rural and agricultural communities.
- **Unlocking Distributed Energy Resources:** Simpler rules for rooftop solar, batteries, smart thermostats and other behind-the-meter technologies will empower home builders, renovators, and homeowners to manage energy costs and resilience at the lot level.

- **Faster, Smarter Planning:** By breaking down the silos between electricity, fuels and new technologies, the plan streamlines approvals for critical infrastructure—helping align energy availability with the pace of housing construction.
  - **Global Leadership & Jobs:** Positioning Ontario as an energy superpower will expand export opportunities for made-in-Ontario technology and expertise, sustaining skilled jobs across the construction supply chain.
  - **Indigenous Partnerships:** Expanded loan guarantees and program funding support Indigenous equity in energy projects.
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## What Happens Next

Energy for Generations establishes a clear policy foundation that will guide procurement, infrastructure investment and regulatory decisions for decades. OHBA will:

1. **Engage with the Ministry of Energy and Mines** to ensure residential construction considerations remain front-and-centre as detailed implementation unfolds.
2. **Monitor upcoming procurements** for generation, storage and distributed resources that could create new opportunities for builders and developers.
3. **Provide timely updates** and advocacy as regulations and market-rule changes affecting our sector are proposed.

Click [here](#) to see the full press release.

Click [here](#) to see the *Energy for Generations Plan*

We encourage members to read through the government's plan fully and to share feedback with OHBA so we can continue representing your interests effectively.

For questions or to provide input, please contact OHBA's policy & advocacy team at [advocacy@ohba.ca](mailto:advocacy@ohba.ca).