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It is my pleasure to provide you with a copy of *Powering Ontario's Growth*, which outlines our government's plan for the province's clean energy future.

Thanks to the strong economic growth that has taken place over the last five years, Ontario's electricity demand is rising for the first time since 2005. We know this trend will continue as our population grows, new industries come online, electric vehicle adoption increases and homes and businesses become more dependent on electricity.

While the government has implemented its plan to meet rising demand this decade, we are taking further action and initiating future planning to ensure Ontario has the energy needed to meet increasing electricity demand in the 2030s and beyond, driven by strong economic growth, electrification and population growth.

This document addresses what actions are needed in the long-term, including new generation, transmission, energy efficiency and distribution-level solutions. It also highlights the importance of continued collaboration and consultation at every level.

Powering Ontario's Growth is the next chapter in Ontario's clean energy journey and lays out how we will provide families and industries with the reliable, affordable and clean energy that they need for Ontario to continue to grow and thrive.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Todd Smith', with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Todd Smith
Minister