

1. What opportunities exist to create new energy?

- Burning of garbage
- Compost of waste food
- Agricultural waste and other fiber crops converted into energy to operate generating facilities
- Conservation of power (having companies taken off grid) – have funding available where companies can resource their own power generation
- Ontario to have a national power grid that can control surpluses, review and monitor and be competitive with exports
- Harmonize federal and provincial assessments of power distribution
- Energy generated in the north should be distributed to industries and policies imposed to affect regional pricing, assign a Northern Ontario power authority
- Biomass available in the north, identify ways to use this renewable energy
- Existing dams are not producing at the capacity they should be, assess this issue
- Recycling water from dams
- If coal can be proven to be clean, is cheaper than natural gas
- Northern Ontario ledger to keep track of revenues, taxes, and energy can be reviewed and monitored in what Northern Ontario provides and receives back
- Push for a nuclear plant in Northern Ontario, would generate jobs in the North.
- Line capabilities are deficient in Northwestern Ontario – once improved would save \$\$
- Divide Ontario into four power entities one of which includes Northern Ontario. This would promote competitiveness, control power distribution, give more control to the North, regulate pricing, etc.

- Redevelop and reinforce the east west grid as opposed to the north south transmission
  - Build transmission grids and access northern Ontario hydroelectric plants located in the north, keep power developed in the North and controlled by the North
2. How do we work collectively to stimulate change, and lobby the province to ensure prices are more competitive?
- Send a statement to RNET commission that the present model is not working with respect to Northern Ontario
  - Energy prices drive economic conditions, lobby to have province recognize this issue
  - Advocate for regional pricing based on delivery cost in Northern Ontario and not Southern Ontario
3. What legislative changes need to be made to remove barriers in this sector?
- Need legislation to split Ontario into entities, would allow control of transmission, own maintenance system for the North, generate employment, etc.
  - Need to discuss energy issues with First Nations