

Commercial Sector Issues and Priorities, Mark Schembri

1. OPA CDM Program Implementation:

There remain practical and administrative barriers for large 'portfolio' commercial consumers implementing CDM projects across multiple LDC jurisdictions. While the individual LDCs are generally helpful and supportive, they too often suffer from unclear program rules and interpretations. (E.g. treatment of HST.) A central, coordinated approach by the OPA to deal with large, multiple facility projects is still required.

2. DR Event Notification:

Some large commercial consumers, who are not direct participants in DR programs, nonetheless wish to respond to system needs, as part of broader corporate sustainability efforts. They are looking to receive notification of calls for curtailment by the IESO/OPA. These should be made available to all consumers, not only DR program participants.

3. Reliability - Downtown Toronto:

BOMA Toronto has expressed their continued concern for more focussed attention to reliability issues, specifically in the downtown core. Disruptions to supply in downtown Toronto can severely impact the commerce and economic well being of the entire Province, to a much greater degree than in other locales. There is concern that with recent posturing regarding relative reliability, and the associated costs of improvement, we have failed to fully consider the economic cost impact of supply disruption.