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Net Metering

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MR. O'REILLY: Thanks, Mr. Chair. Just on this subject of net metering. Although we have that policy in place for it, people that build up credits, they lose them at the end of the year. So it is not really a very good policy. And I don't think it goes far enough in terms of encouraging people to become more self-sufficient. Is the department looking at developing a better policy when it comes to net metering? Thanks, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Simpson): Thank you, Mr. O'Reilly. Minister.

HON. CAROLINE COCHRANE: Thank you, Mr. Chair. Those are the kinds of issues that we will be looking at when we do the new energy plan. All of the alternative energy, anything that we are doing within that scope, will be reviewed and considerations will be made in the new plan that we bring forward. Thank you, Mr. Chair.

CHAIRPERSON (Mr. Simpson): Thank you, Minister. Mr. O'Reilly.

MR. O'REILLY: Thanks, Mr. Chair. I appreciate getting that commitment from the Minister. The net metering is going to be within the scope of the energy plan. I know there are a number of solar projects that were installed here in households in Yellowknife over the last year. I am sure those people are going to be quite interested to hear that. Thanks, Mr. Chair.