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# Study: Economic and Environmental Impacts of Transitioning to a Cleaner Electricity Grid in Western Canada

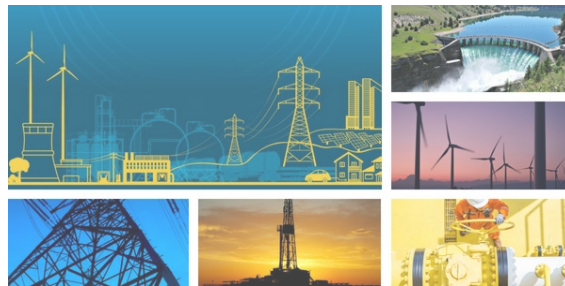
*Calgary, Alberta (July 30, 2018)* ... The Canadian Energy Research Institute has released a new study.

### **STUDY OVERVIEW: ECONOMIC AND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF TRANSITIONING TO A CLEANER ELECTRICITY GRID IN WESTERN CANADA**

Canada's Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change has set an ambitious goal to reduce GHG emissions to mitigate global climate change while sustaining economic growth.

Guided by the framework, Canadian provinces are acting through the implementation of programs and regulations to reduce emissions in their respective economies. Central to the emissions reduction plan is the reduction of emissions from the electric power sector. A multitude of policies and programs are being implemented to reduce emissions from electricity generation.

This study assesses economic impacts and emissions under alternative pathways of transforming the electricity grid in four provinces: BC, AB, SK, and MB. The alternative pathways are primarily characterized by energy and climate change policies that are already adopted or could potentially be adopted by provincial and federal governments. In this study, the pathways are developed into five scenarios: a reference scenario, two carbon pricing scenarios and two carbon emissions cap scenarios.



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