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Richmond Hill to receive \$4 million in grid enhancements from Alectra to improve reliability

Richmond Hill, ON – Alectra Utilities is strengthening its power grid in Richmond Hill. In 2023, Alectra is investing \$4 million in infrastructure modernization projects as the demand for electricity continues to grow.

With parts of Richmond Hill’s system nearing the end of its life cycle, Alectra is taking steps proactively to renew deteriorating infrastructure. These upgrades are necessary to maintain reliability and stabilize the existing system to reduce outage impacts in the community.

Alectra is introducing new technologies to increase efficiencies and reduce costs. One of those technologies is an innovative process called [cable injection](#), which repairs, protects, and extends the life of underground cables without digging them up. For every kilometre of cable injection, Alectra avoids approximately 13 tonnes of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions. To date, Alectra has injected more than 820 km of underground cable across its service territories, avoiding over 10,000 tonnes of GHG emissions.

Alectra plans to continue to invest in significant capital renewal projects impacting 32,564 customers in Richmond Hill, including:

- \$2.5M to rehabilitate underground cables in Kersey Cr. Area.
- \$1.4M to renew old infrastructure including poles, transformers, switchgear renewal and new automation.

Alectra Utilities is committed to investing in the electricity grid across all 17 communities it serves to support growth and to continue to provide safe and reliable service. Learn more about our commitment to reliability at alectrautilities.com/improving-reliability.

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About Alectra Utilities

Serving more than one million homes and businesses in Ontario’s Greater Golden Horseshoe area, Alectra Utilities is now the largest municipally-owned electric utility in Canada, based on the total number of customers served. We contribute to the economic growth and vibrancy of the 17 communities we serve by investing in essential energy infrastructure, delivering a safe and reliable supply of electricity, and providing innovative energy solutions. Our mission is to be an energy ally, helping our customers and the communities we serve to discover the possibilities of tomorrow’s energy future.

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