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## LOCAL NEWS

### See how FortisBC is using a "virtual pipeline" to transport natural gas to Lower Mainland



**Source: FortisBC**

The virtual pipeline bypasses the constrained Enbridge transmission line and instead goes directly into FortisBC's distribution system, helping to augment the available supply to homes and businesses in the Lower Mainland. It also tests the viability for delivery via this method, should

FortisBC need to bolster natural gas supply in the future.

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### More mega displays increasing power use and costs

**Source: BC Hydro**

A new BC Hydro report finds the trend toward more elaborate holiday displays has increased the province's power load from electronic decorations and lights by about 15 per cent since 2012, adding to costs for many.



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### CleanBC plan to reduce climate pollution, build a low-carbon economy

**Source: BC Gov News**

The Government of British Columbia has released its CleanBC plan aimed at reducing climate pollution, while creating more jobs and economic opportunities for people, businesses and communities.



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### Construction sector welcomes B.C. climate plan as good for business

**Source: Pembina Institute**

Fourteen leading companies and organizations working in B.C.'s building sector say the province's new climate and clean growth plan lays down a solid foundation for the decarbonization of our homes and buildings.

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### Cold comfort: New cutting-edge wood lab an 'engineering marvel,' says UNBC professor

**Source: Journal of Commerce, ConstructConnect**

The University of Northern British Columbia's Wood Innovation Research Laboratory has built an ultra-energy efficient, industrial wood building that can handle the cold of northern Canada.

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## TECHNOLOGY

### B.C. company advances next-generation computing to reduce energy use



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**Source: Province of BC**

*"We're supporting innovation in quantum computers that will reduce overall energy use and create sustainable economic opportunities for people in B.C."*

-Michelle Mungall, Minister of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources.

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## NATIONAL NEWS

### With the 2030 coal phase-out finalized, Canada takes a historic step

**Source: Pembina Institute**

*"This is a historic step in protecting public health and sending a signal for clean energy investments. With*

*this regulation, the Government of Canada has delivered on one of its marquee climate and energy policies under the Pan-Canadian Framework on Clean Growth and Climate Change." -Binnu Jeyakumar, Director, Clean Energy at the Pembina Institute*

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