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Niagara-on-the-Lake’s Move to LED Streetlights Nets Real Savings

NIAGARA-ON-THE-LAKE, ON – Improved energy efficiency and cost savings are two of the main driving forces behind Niagara-on-the-Lake’s move to light-emitting diode (LED) streetlights. Installation begins this week to upgrade the current 1,034 fixtures to energy-efficient LEDs in a project that does not require the Town to pay any capital upfront. Instead, the Town will fund the project cost by sharing the annual savings in energy and maintenance.

A partnership with RealTerm Energy, a turn-key solution that includes financing and installation of the streetlights, was an easy choice for the Town. “We could have established a conversion program, but it would have meant the replacement of a small number of lights each year,” explained Doug Kerr, Manager of Public Works for the Town. “RealTerm Energy’s program has allowed us to change out all the lights within one year, resulting in an immediate savings. Their team of experts and turn-key plan have proven very helpful in guiding the Town through this process.”

“This is a great project for Niagara-on-the-Lake,” stated Lord Mayor Pat Darte. “The LEDs are expected to help reduce energy costs by 55% and reduce maintenance costs by 80% because they last up to four times longer than the town’s existing streetlights. I’m glad to see our community taking advantage of this innovative program.”

In addition to energy efficiency, LEDs provide a clear, white light that improves visibility and community safety, and also deliver more targeted beams to help reduce light pollution.

To date, over 95 Ontario municipalities have chosen RealTerm Energy and Local Authority Services (LAS) for their LED streetlight upgrade including Barrie, London and South Huron.

Quick Project Overview

Total number of fixtures	1,034
Electrical consumption savings	55%
Greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction over life of luminaire	746 metric tons over lifetime of LEDs – the equivalent of the GHG removed by more than 19,128 tree seedlings grown for ten years

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RealTerm Energy Corp., a Realterm Global company, is redefining the municipal street lighting market with intelligent LED lighting systems and services that deliver unmatched energy and maintenance savings. We create and foster long-term partnerships with forward-thinking private, public and government market leaders to deliver innovative and cost-effective lighting solutions.

Local Authority Services (LAS) is a preferred provider of competitively priced and sustainable co-operative business services for Ontario municipalities and the broader public sector. As a subsidiary of the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, LAS helps its customers “save money, make money, and build capacity.”

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