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FRIDAY...

A Montreal man's successful quest to trade a paper clip for a house through the Internet was aided by an Acton man who swapped a recording contract for a cube van. See Friday's paper for details.



And for my next trick...

Under the watchful eye of children's magician Owen Anderson, Sydney Weaver, 6, of Acton, was surprised at her own magical abilities when she waved her wand and said the magic word to create Ruby the

Rabbit at Saturday's magic show at Halton Hills Public Library in Acton afternoon. The show featured lots of audience participation and wowed the kids with up-close illusions. Photo by Ted Brown

Hydro project could alter power usage

LISA TALLYN
Staff Writer

Halton Hills Hydro Inc. is launching a pilot energy storage project this week that could mean substantial savings for industries and utility companies on their hydro bills, and change the way they manage their electricity use.

The project could also potentially spark

interest in a \$100 million manufacturing venture for southern Ontario.

Dan Guatto, president of Halton Hills Hydro (HHHI), said the load shifting project being run at the HHHI office in Acton, will use five large ZEBRA (sodium and nickel chloride) batteries imported from Switzerland to store electrical energy bought at a lower cost during non-peak nighttime hours to be used throughout peak

daytime hours, when power is significantly more expensive. The power will be used to supply the hydro used in the utility's office building.

The typical difference in price for power purchased between 11 p.m. and 7 a.m. vs. peak hours is five to eight cents per kwh, said Guatto.

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