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**BY EMAIL**

April 26, 2012

Mr. George Vegh  
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Dear Mr. Vegh:

**Re: Request for Directions  
East-West Tie Designation Proceeding (EB-2011-0140)**

The Board has now had an opportunity to consider your letter dated April 20, 2012, written on behalf of your client TransCanada Power Transmission Ltd, and Upper Canada Transmission Inc., Altalink Ontario L.P., Iccon Transmission Inc, and RES Canada Transmission L.P. The letter requests that the Board provide direction with respect to the treatment of Issue 19 on the Issues List for Phase 1 of the hearing. More specifically, the letter asked the Board to require Hydro One Networks Inc. and Great Lakes Power Transmission LP to make a submission relating to Issue 19 by April 25, 2012.

The Board appreciates the concerns raised in the letter, and agrees that there is a need for further information from the incumbent utilities. However, it remains the Board's view that Issue 19 is clearly stated and that consideration of Issue 19 should be conducted through the framework of the submission process established in the Board's Procedural Order 2. To this end, the Board does direct Hydro One Networks Inc. and Great Lakes Power Transmission LP to address the matters raised in this letter, in their respective submissions to be filed May 7, 2012.

In particular, if Hydro One Networks Inc. or Great Lakes Power Transmission LP take the position that certain of the materials should not be provided to all parties to the designation proceeding, their submissions should detail the reasons for that position. Further, if Hydro One Networks Inc. or Great Lakes Power Transmission LP take the position that certain documents are confidential, they should indicate whether the Board's *Practice Direction on Confidential Filings*, and the form of

declaration and undertaking provided in that Practice Direction, would provide sufficient protection for these confidential documents.

All parties will have a chance to respond to these submissions on May 16, 2012, as per the directions in Procedural Order 2. The Board concludes that it is not necessary or appropriate to alter the timing or process for the consideration of Issue 19.

Yours truly,

*Original signed by*

Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary

c. All Intervenors