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BY EMAIL

July 18, 2012

**To: Representatives of:
Consumers Council of Canada
Metis Nation of Ontario
National Chief's Office
Ojibways of Pic River First Nation
Power Workers' Union
School Energy Coalition**

**Re: Declaration and Undertakings
East-West Tie Designation Proceeding (EB-2011-0140)**

On July 11, 2012, the Ontario Energy Board issued a letter indicating that it would accept declaration and undertakings from the individuals listed in Schedule A attached to the letter. These individuals wished to access the confidential, unredacted versions of documents filed by Hydro One Networks Inc. ("HONI") and Great Lakes Power Transmission LP ("GLPT") in Phase 1 of the designation proceeding. The letter also indicated that HONI and GLPT had until the close of business on July 18, 2012 to file an objection with the Board with regard to any of the declaration and undertakings.

On July 16, 2012, the Board received an objection from HONI. Among the documents filed by HONI were four reports completed by consultants: SNC Lavalin Study Estimates Report, Dillon Consulting Limited Services Plan, Stantec Inc. Environmental Assessment Plan, and Senes Consultants Limited Socio-Economic Assessment Plan. HONI objected to having the unredacted versions of the four consultant reports made available to individuals representing entities which are not registered transmitters. The reason given was that non-transmitters have no need to see the commercially sensitive information that has been redacted. HONI submitted that individuals representing non-transmitters who provide the Board with declarations and undertakings regarding confidentiality should not be able to view unredacted versions of the consultant reports.

The Board invites parties who have filed declaration and undertakings who are not registered transmitters to file a response to HONI's objection with the Board, and copy the response to HONI, by 4:30 p.m. **Monday, July 23, 2012.**

At this time, HONI and GLPT are required to provide the confidential information to each individual who has signed a declaration and undertaking at their respective addresses for service. The exception to this requirement is the provision by HONI of the confidential versions of the four consultant reports to individuals representing entities which are not registered transmitters. The Board will determine whether this confidential information is to be provided to such individuals subsequent to reviewing any responses to HONI's objection.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary

cc. Great Lakes Power Transmission LP
Hydro One Networks Inc.
Registered transmitters in EB-2011-0140