

## Appendix A7: Notification Letters for First Nation Consultation

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**RE: Woodstock Area Transmission Reinforcement  
Class Environmental Assessment**

Dear Alan Kary:

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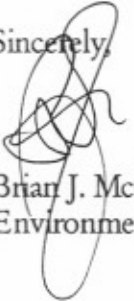
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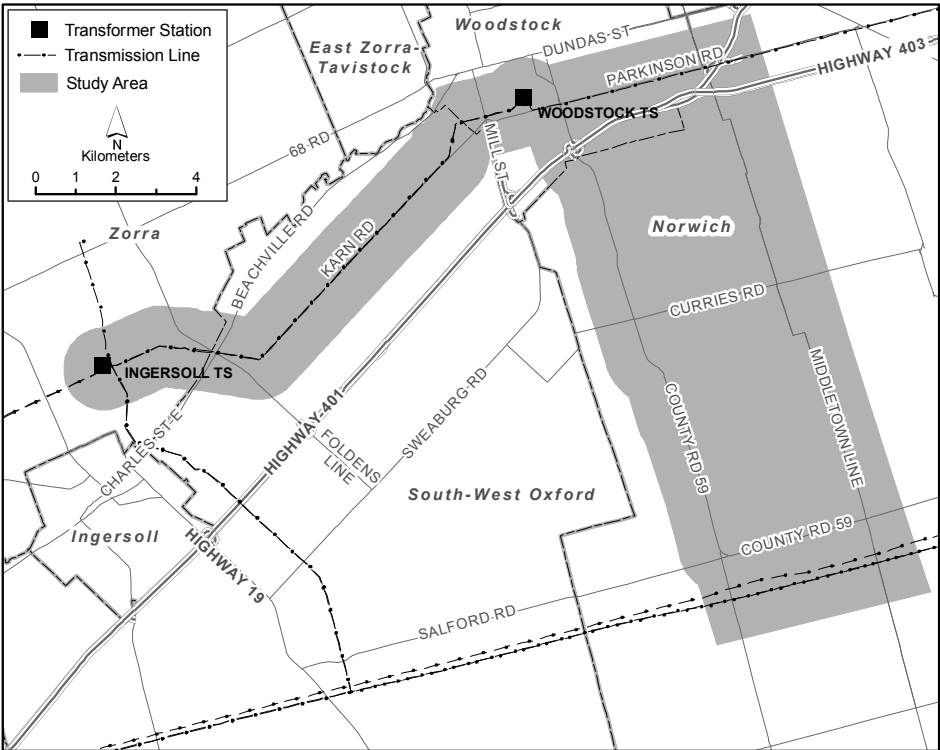
Sincerely,



Brian J. McCormick, Manager  
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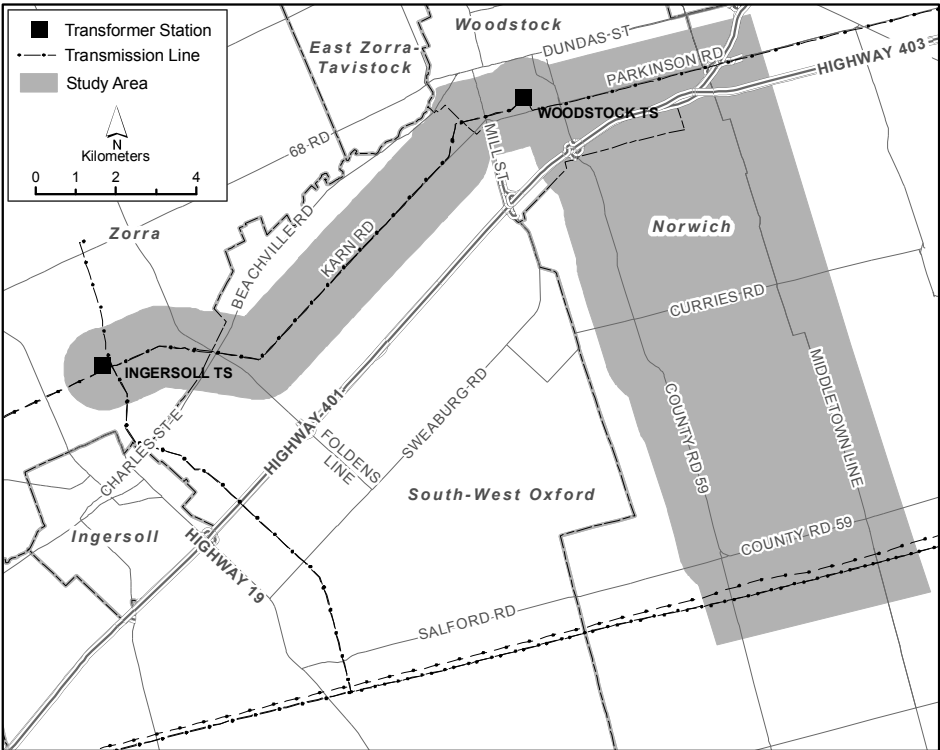
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