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BY E-MAIL

May 12, 2010

Mr. Normunds Mierins Director, The North Rosedale Ratepayers Association 4 Fairview Blvd. Toronto ON M4K 1L9

Re: Toronto Midtown Transmission Reinforcement Project Board File Number: EB-2009-0425

Dear Mr. Mierins,

The Board has received a letter from the North Rosedale Ratepayers Association dated May 11, 2010 requesting an extension of time to file its final submissions due to changes to the project being proposed by the applicant "to relocate the main shaft and construction staging area from the east end of Carstowe Road to the Rosehill Pumping Station site in the west side of Mount Pleasant Road." The letter also refers to reduced contingency regarding the tunneling.

Hydro One Networks Inc. ("Hydro One") replied to this request by letter dated May 11, 2010. Hydro One indicated that as a part of its ongoing community consultation efforts under the Environmental Assessment process it is considering moving the main access shaft location and the construction staging area for the tunnel from the east end of Carstowe Road to the Rosehill Pumping Station located on Mt. Pleasant Road at Carstowe Road. Hydro One asked that the extension not be granted, as there was no certainty that any change would be made, and that although a change would lead to increases in some costs (such as land acquisition), it would likely also lead to decreased costs in other areas (for example construction mitigation contingency).

The Board has considered these letters and has determined that the date for final submissions will not be extended. The location of the main shaft and the construction staging area are issues largely within the purview of the Environmental Assessment. Except with respect to any changes to the overall cost of the project, these issues are not within the scope of the Board's proceeding. It is not clear that there will be any

changes to the project at all, or if any changes would have a material impact on the overall cost of the project.

The Board observes that leave to construct approvals are commonly subject to conditions, and it is common that one of these conditions requires the applicant to report any material changes to the project to the Board. Parties may wish to include as part of their final submissions recommendations on appropriate conditions on this or any other topic within the scope of the Board's jurisdiction.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

Kirsten Walli Board Secretary

Cc: all parties