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Kirsten Walli **Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board** P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Request for Intervenor Status -EB-2010-0002 Subject: Notice of Application and Hearing for Hydro One Networks Inc. Change to Electricity Transmission Revenue Requirement and Rates

Dear Ms. Walli.

Please be advised that Hydro Ottawa Limited is requesting intervenor status in the subject Proceeding in which Hydro One Networks Inc. ("Hydro One") is seeking changes to the provincial uniform transmission rates that it charges. Hydro Ottawa is a licensed distributor that is connected to Hydro One's transmission system. In 2009, Hydro Ottawa's costs for transmission services were over \$60 million, and therefore this is a material issue for the company and its customers.

Hydro Ottawa will be following the overall case and the impact on the provincial uniform transmission rates. The outcome of this proceeding may result in Hydro Ottawa seeking a rate order to amend its retail transmission rates that are designed to pass-through the transmission charges to end-use customers.

In addition, there are two specific issues related to the transmission system in the Ottawa area about which Hydro Ottawa is concerned.

The first relates to the current short circuit capability at Hawthorne Transformer Station ("TS"). Hydro Ottawa is very concerned that the limited capacity is a significant barrier to the construction of new renewable generators in Ottawa, the nation's capital. Hydro Ottawa will be seeking confirmation on when this issue will be addressed.



The second issue relates to the need for expanded capacity at Hinchey TS in order to meet the need to connect a major new customer load. The issue is the level of capital contribution that Hydro Ottawa will be required to make to expand the capacity of the station by providing access to an unused transformer winding. At question is the interpretation of the Board's decision from proceeding EB-2006-0189/EB-2008-020. Hydro Ottawa will be seeking clarification on this matter.

Hydro Ottawa will not be seeking costs related to its participation in this proceeding. Should you have any further questions, please contact Jane Scott at (613) 738-5499 extension 7499, directly, or email to janescott@hydroottawa.com.

Best regards,

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