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Ontario Energy Board  
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Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Attention: Ms. K. Walli, Board Secretary

Dear Ms. Walli,

**Re: Letter of Intervention and Request for Filing Extension by CanSIA re  
Application by Hydro One Networks Inc. for 6-Month Exemption from  
Timelines to Connect Micro-Embedded Generators (EB-2011-0118)**

We are counsel to the Canadian Solar Industries Association (CanSIA). On behalf of CanSIA, we are hereby requesting intervenor status in the above-noted application by Hydro One Networks Inc. (the "Application"). In addition, as described below, we are hereby requesting a short extension to the deadlines for filing submissions with respect to the type of hearing and the interim order.

**A. Intervenor Request**

CanSIA is a national trade association that represents approximately 700 solar energy companies throughout Canada, the majority of which operate in Ontario. Since 1992, CanSIA has worked to develop a strong, efficient, ethical and professional Canadian solar energy industry with the capacity to provide innovative solar energy solutions and to play a major role in the global transition to a sustainable, clean-energy future. Among CanSIA's members are companies that have established manufacturing and other facilities that serve the solar industry and the market for solar products and services in Ontario, including the needs of micro-embedded solar generators. Accordingly, CanSIA has a strong interest in the Application and its potential outcome.

CanSIA intends to participate fully as an intervenor in this proceeding. Specifically, CanSIA intends to file submissions on the preliminary issues with respect to the appropriate type of hearing and Hydro One's request for an interim order. The nature of CanSIA's participation thereafter will depend upon the form of hearing, but in any event, given the importance of the issues to its members, CanSIA expects to be an active participant throughout this proceeding.

Although the Notice of Application and Hearing does not speak to the question of cost awards, CanSIA intends to seek a cost award. As an intervenor in this proceeding, CanSIA will primarily be representing the interests of manufacturers and suppliers of solar components and related services who service the needs of micro-embedded solar generators and micro-embedded solar

generation applicants under the micro-FIT program. In doing so, consistent with section 3.03(b) of the Board's *Practice Direction on Cost Awards*, CanSIA will be representing a public interest that is relevant to the Board's mandate, set out in section 1 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act*, with respect to promoting the use and generation of electricity from renewable energy sources in a manner consistent with the policies of the Government of Ontario. For these reasons, it is CanSIA's view that it should be deemed eligible for costs in this proceeding.

## **B. Filing Extension Request**

CanSIA hereby requests a short extension to the filing deadlines established in the Notice of Application and Hearing for submissions concerning the form of hearing and submissions concerning Hydro One's request for an interim order. The Notice, issued June 17, 2011, requires that such submissions be filed by Monday, June 27, 2011. Due to the time needed for CanSIA to review the Application, consult with its members, identify the need for and select counsel, CanSIA was only in a position to retain counsel as of Friday, June 24, 2011. To allow for sufficient time to prepare its submissions on the form of hearing and the interim order request, CanSIA requests a 2-day extension that would allow it to file these submissions by Wednesday, June 29, 2011.

Yours truly,



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