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ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

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Dear Sir:

RE: Docket Number EB-2007-0681 - Hydro One

On Monday, March 17, 2008 our Council received notification of the proposed change in the Hydro One Networks distribution rates for our street lighting.

Due to our geographical location, the hours of darkness are longer and streetlights are a matter of public safety. Council feels strongly that we should not be penalized for ensuring the safety of our residents.

During 2007, our municipal budget for street lighting was \$36,3000.00. The proposed increase by Hydro One would increase this amount by \$7,200/year, resulting in a total cost of \$43,500, an increase of approximately 20%. Council feels that if any increase is approved, it should not be greater than the current rate of inflation.

It should also be noted that street lights are on for the most part, during the period that is considered "off peak hours" and the cost per KwH should be lower than the rate being used to set electrical consumption for street lights.

At this time, there is a surplus of hydro in Northern Ontario and this should be considered when reviewing the application from Hydro One Networks Inc.

Yours sincerely,

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF TERRACE BAY

Michael G. King

Mayor

