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VIA COURIER, RESS, EMAIL

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: Hydro One Networks Inc. – 2013 and 2014 Transmission Revenue Requirement and Rates

Board File No.: EB-2012-0031

The Ontario Power Authority ("OPA") is writing to request intervenor status in the above noted proceeding pursuant to the Board's Notice of Application dated June 20, 2012.

The OPA has provided supporting evidence in Hydro One's application with respect to the need for installation of a new 500-230 kV Transformer Station ("TS") called "Oshawa Area" TS, the only feasible solution to address retirement of Pickering GS and to mitigate the risk of early retirement.

The OPA has also provided evidence in support of Hydro One installing a static var compensator ("SVC") with a capacitive capacity of 350 MVAr at the Milton switching station. The project is required for, among other things, renewable generation incorporation and to provide local voltage support and regulation to the west GTA area.

Accordingly, the OPA has a direct interest in this application and will work in cooperation with Hydro One to review these projects' progress and to provide continued support.

Please provide a copy of all relevant communications to the attention of Miriam Heinz, Regulatory Coordinator, at the address above or through e-mail at miriam.heinz@powerauthority.on.ca.

Yours truly,

(original signed)

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