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Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street
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Dear Ms Walli,

Hydro One Networks Inc. ("Hydro One")
2013 Electricity Distribution Rate Change
Board File No.: EB-2012-0136
Our File No.: 339583-000143

We are writing on behalf of Canadian Manufacturers & Exporters ("CME") pursuant to paragraph 1 of Procedural Order No. 1 dated August 9, 2012.

We support the changes to the interrogatory timetable and timing of the hearing proposed by Hydro One and supported by several other parties. Our rationale for supporting the proposed changes to the timetable is the same as that expressed by others.

We also support Hydro One's request that the Board reconsider its Decision to exclude the Density Study from this proceeding. As others have noted, matters pertaining to the Density issue have been lingering for some time. We submit that delaying the matter further to Hydro One's next Cost of Service Application is inappropriate, particularly when Hydro One indicates that its next Cost of Service Application may not be filed in 2013 as the Board had assumed in its Decision.

With respect to the Draft Issues List, we are concerned that the implications of the relief requested for the total electricity bill increases that consumers will face during 2013 is a matter that is not listed for scrutiny at the hearing.

Total electricity bill increases that manufacturers will be facing in 2013 and beyond are a matter of considerable significance to CME.

We respectfully request that the Board add to its Issues List an appropriately worded question to allow that topic to be scrutinized in this proceeding.

Yours very truly,



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