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

Re: EB-2012-0031

On behalf of Goldcorp, we are writing in accordance with Procedural Order No. 3 that requires a hearing plan to be filed with the Board by October 31, 2012.

At the technical conference held on October 15, 2012, Hydro One gave Goldcorp a number of undertakings for information related to issue 11 "Are the amounts proposed for rate base in 2013 and 2014 appropriate?" By letter dated October 19, 2012, Hydro One advised that it had reconsidered its undertakings to Goldcorp and decided not to provide them:

"As to Goldcorp's questions from the Technical Conference KT1.18, KT 1.19, KT1.20, KT1.21, KT1.22, upon further review of those questions, it is clear that none of Goldcorp's questions are pertinent to Hydro One's transmission revenue requirement, rates or other charges for the transmission of electricity in 2013 and 2014. Hydro One submits, therefore, that the current rate proceeding is not the appropriate forum to address those questions."

Because Goldcorp was not provided the information it needed to entertain settlement discussions with Hydro One, Goldcorp has not agreed to settle on issue 11.

The information that Goldcorp is seeking primarily relates to the net book value ("NBV") of Hydro One's Red Lake Transformer Station ("RLTS"). Because the RLTS forms part of Hydro One's rate base in the test years, we believe that establishing its correct NBV is within the scope of this proceeding. Based on the information already provided by Hydro One in its interrogatory responses, *prima facie* there appears to be a misstatement of the RLTS's NBV, such that it appears to be inflated. However, until further information is provided by Hydro One, it is difficult to know one way or another. For greater clarity, we wish to emphasize that Goldcorp has no intention of asking any questions about bypass fees.

We expect that our cross-examination on issue 11 will take no more than 30 minutes. If Hydro One objects to the relevance of Goldcorp's questions, we expect that arguments on relevance as a preliminary

issue should take no more than 30 minutes (total). In the event that the Board determines that Goldcorp's questions are relevant, we request that Hydro One should be required to bring a witness to the hearing who has detailed knowledge of the RLTS.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew Taylor". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent initial "A" and a long, sweeping tail.

Andrew Taylor