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Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board Yonge-Eglinton Centre P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, Suite 2700 Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

## Re: HONI Transmission Rates (Interim ETS Rate) — EB-2012-0031

I enclose the written Submissions of the IESO on the appropriate procedure for the oral hearing of the concurrent expert witness panel.

In regards to APPrO's counsel's letter dated January 18, 2013, I confirm that the IESO supports APPrO's request for an adjournment of the ETS tariff oral hearing to mutually convenient dates for the reasons set out in the IESO's earlier November 21, 2012 letter (copy enclosed herein for ease of reference).

Yours truly,

Glenn Zacher

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November 21, 2012

Ms. Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board P.O. Box 2319 2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

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### Re: Hydro One Networks Inc. Transmission Rate Application, EB-2012-0031

We are writing with respect to the Board's Procedural Order No. 8 dated November 15, 2012 and to request some minor changes to the Order.

The Board directed that there be an Experts' Conference on December 12 and 13, 2012 and that attendance be restricted to the experts (CRA, Navigant and Elenchus), one counsel for each of Hydro One, APPrO, HQEM and the IESO, and Board Staff and counsel.

The IESO administered the Export Transmission Service Tariff Study (ETS Study) prepared by CRA and filed by the applicant HONI. HONI has advised the IESO that its counsel will not be representing CRA at the Experts' Conference. The IESO has therefore retained Glenn Zacher of Stikeman Elliott to represent CRA at the Experts' Conference and, as necessary, at the oral hearing. Accordingly, please add Mr. Zacher to the distribution list.

Further, the IESO suggests that Procedural Order No. 8 be amended to allow Darren Finkbeiner, Manager of Market Development for the IESO, to attend at the Experts' Conference. CRA's ETS Study is in large part informed by information concerning the operation of the IESO-administered market and Mr. Finkbeiner appeared with CRA on a panel at the October 12, 2012 Technical Conference. Board Staff and other parties asked Mr. Finkbeiner a number of questions about the operation of the IESO market to elucidate and better understand CRA's ETS Study (e.g., questions concerning IESO control actions, curtailment of exports, export transaction failures, uplift charges and impact on surplus baseload generation). In the circumstances, the IESO believes the purposes of the Experts' Conference will be furthered and it will assist CRA, other experts, Board Staff and the Board-appointed facilitator for Mr. Finkbeiner to attend the Experts' Conference.

Lastly, the IESO respectfully requests that the January 28 and 29 hearing dates be rescheduled. Mr. Zacher is not available on those dates; on January 29, he has a Court of Appeal hearing. Mr. Zacher is available any other day the week of January 28 or February 4, as are CRA's representatives.

Yours truly,

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Paula Lukan Senior Regulatory Analyst Regulatory Affairs Independent Electricity System Operator

c.c. All Parties