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I am opposed to any rate increase being requested by Hydro One Networks Inc. Ontario electricity rates are the highest in the country and along with escalating rates for natural gas, it is becoming exceedingly difficult to afford to live in this province in which I was born and raised. I am retired and living on a relatively low fixed income. My husband and I sold our 'retirement' dream home a couple of years ago because we were unable to afford the ever increasing natural gas rates and now this proposal threatens our 'golden years' as well.

Electricity is one of a few essential services Canadians should be able to afford, however Hydro One Networks main focus seems to be in lining the pockets of its wealthier executives.

The Ontario Government needs to ensure that low income families and seniors are able to live comfortably without the constant threat of public utility companies regularly seeking unfair and unjustifiable increases.

Thank you.

Mary Ann Cousins  
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