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Ms. Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: Board File No.: EB-2017-0182/EB-2017-0194  
Upper Canada Transmission, Inc. and  
Hydro One Networks Inc. - East-West Tie Line Project  
Independent Electricity System Operator Intervention Request**

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The Independent Electricity System Operator (“IESO”) is in receipt of the Ontario Energy Board’s (“OEB”) Notice of Application and is writing to request intervenor status in the above noted proceeding.

The IESO is responsible for maintaining the security and reliability of electricity supply in Ontario and for directing the operations of the IESO-controlled grid. The IESO also has the mandate to ensure the adequacy and efficiency of electricity supply in the province through planning of electricity supply and demand.

The IESO has a direct interest in this proceeding based on its responsibility to direct the operation and maintain the reliability of the IESO-controlled grid. The IESO was an active intervenor in the OEB’s East-West Tie Line Designation proceeding (EB-2011-0140) and has provided technical support to this project including updated needs assessments. More specifically, the IESO has provided evidence in this proceeding at Exhibit B-4-1, Attachment 2 as well as through a System Impact Assessment at Exhibit F-1-1, Attachment 1 (EB-2017-0182).

The IESO intends to participate in this proceeding by responding to pertinent inquiries as necessary. The IESO may also make written submissions or participate in oral hearings as required.

The IESO will not be seeking cost awards and asks that all correspondence be addressed to Maia Chase, Senior Regulatory Analyst, at 905-403-6906 or by email at: [RegulatoryAffairs@ieso.ca](mailto:RegulatoryAffairs@ieso.ca).

Yours truly,

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