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Dear Ms Walli:

Re: EB-2017-0182 and EB-2017-0194

We are counsel to Hydro One Networks Inc. ("HONI") in these matters. In that capacity we are responding to the Decision on Confidentiality and Procedural Order No. 3 dated April 27, 2018.

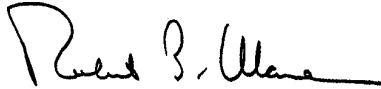
Procedural Order No. 3 orders that a transcribed technical conference take place on May 7, 2018. As the Board will be aware, our client is also party to a Motion in EB-2017-0364. The procedure in that Motion requires that our client file evidence, on certain specified matters, by May 7, 2018. Late yesterday afternoon our client received an additional 118 pages of evidence in the Motion proceeding from NextBridge Infrastructure. Much of that evidence is of a highly technical nature and will require HONI staff and their external advisors to analyse it and to prepare responding materials.

HONI thus finds itself in the position where its staff must prepare evidence to be filed in the Motion by May 7, 2018, and at the same time prepare for a technical conference to be held on the same day. To place that burden on HONI staff, and on its external advisors, is unreasonable, unfair, and unnecessary. There is no reason why the technical conference in EB-2017-0182 and EB-2017-0194 cannot be postponed, to a later date, to allow HONI staff and their external advisors to fulfil their obligations in the Motion proceeding and then to prepare for and participate in the technical conference in these matters.

In the circumstances we ask that the schedule in EB-2017-0182 and EB-2017-0194 be amended. At a minimum, we ask that that the technical conference now scheduled to be held on May 7, 2018, be rescheduled until after the hearing of the Motion, now scheduled to begin on May 24, 2018.

Yours truly,

WeirFoulds LLP

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert B. Warren". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke at the end.

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