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Ms. Kirsten Walli
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board
Suite 2700, 2300 Yonge Street
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Dear Ms. Walli:

**Re: EB-2017-0364 - Hydro One Networks Inc.'s Section 92 – Lake Superior Link Project –
Correction of Evidence**

Further to the additional evidence filed by Hydro One Networks Inc. on May 11, attached is a blue page providing corrections of minor errors and omissions identified on page 23 of the prefiled evidence.

Yours very truly,

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- f. Should the IESO be asked to provide any updated information regarding the in-service date necessary to serve the need and any impacts of a delay to the in-service date to 2021 or beyond?**

Hydro One would be supportive of OEB efforts to obtain that clarity before rendering a decision that could excessively charge ratepayers for a solution that could have been completed in a far more economical manner in both initial cost and ongoing O&M costs.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT WORK

- g. Can NextBridge’s environmental assessment work for the East-West Tie line project be used by Hydro One for the purpose of complying with Environmental Assessment Act requirements?**

There is no factual or legal basis to prevent Hydro One from relying on the information in the NextBridge EA. There can be no claim of confidentiality over the assessment since the *Act* makes it clear that the assessment is a public document that may be accessed by anyone (Section 6.4 of the *Act*). Furthermore, it is clear from the OEB’s 2013 designation order for the tie line that the development work, which included the EA work and work product, was for the benefit of the line construction, not for the benefit of the developer. Therefore, Hydro One will have access to the information in the document. If no “exemption”, such as a declaration order, is obtained despite the significant cost savings to ratepayers and the improved environmental footprint, Hydro One has the option of undertaking an Individual EA.