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Kirsten Walli Board Secretary Ontario Energy Board Suite 2701 2300 Yonge Street Toronto ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli:

Re: Hydro One Networks Inc. ("HONI") Reply Argument/ EB-2017-0182, EB-2017-0194, EB-2017-0364 (the "Combined Proceeding")

Our client has received a copy of a letter dated November 12, 2018 to the Ontario Energy Board from Chief Tangie of the Michipicoten First Nation ("MFN"). In the ordinary course, we would not respond to a letter delivered by a party after the deadline for the filing of written submissions. However, the letter from Chief Tangie makes assertions about HONI's alleged attitude to the MFN, assertions which HONI believes require a response.

The letter suggests that, in our client's Reply Argument, a distinction was drawn between the positions of the MFN and those of its lawyer. That was not the case.

HONI understood that the positions set out in the MFN's Intervenor Argument dated October 31, 2018, were those of the MFN. The language used by HONI in its Reply Argument, in relation to the MFN, reflected the fact that the MFN's Intervenor Argument was styled as the personal argument of their lawyer. However, HONI wants to make it clear that it understood that the positions set out in the argument were those of the MFN.

HONI is fully confident that the members of the MFN are "intelligent, strong leaders who know [their] rights". HONI simply disagrees, with respect, with the view as to the application of those rights in the circumstances of the Combined Proceeding and, more broadly, with the positions set out in the MFN's Intervenor Argument.

In her letter, Chief Tangie takes offence at HONI's position that the MFN's argument should be dismissed. HONI's argument, that the positions set out in the MFN's Intervenor Argument are irrelevant in the circumstances, was not intended to be, and should not be taken as, any disrespect for the MFN. Parties to a contested proceeding will disagree with their respective positions, but still respect the people who take those positions.

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HONI thinks it important to reiterate what it said, in paragraph 137 of its Reply Argument, namely that "HONI has consistently acted in accordance with its recognition that Indigenous rights and interests must be respected and given the due deference, consultation and accommodation enshrined by case law and the Constitution". That HONI disagrees with the positions taken by the MFN in its Intervenor Argument is entirely consistent with that position.

Yours very truly,

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