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The Ontario Energy Board

-- Comment date --2019-01-09

-- Case Number --EB-2018-0242

-- Name --Nancy Chesher

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-- Comments --

I would begin by asking all individuals involved in the OEB approval process to familiarize themselves with the process or lack of meaningful process that occurred in Peterborough prior to the Peterborough Council vote to approve the sale of PDI to Ontario Hydro.

One of my objections to your possible approval of this sale is the lack of democratic process at our community level. More than 90% of residents surveyed disapproved of this sale. At the municipal government level the approval was achieved by a 1 vote margin. Half our elected councillors voted no. Our mayor was the deciding vote. In the municipal election following this 6-5 vote our mayor, the 6th vote was resounding defeated - the only way our citizens could have our voices heard.

Secondly if you review small utility sales in numerous European communities you will see many are currently involved in buying back their utility. Their loss of ownership has destroyed their ability to make the best decision for their communities going forward. With local ownership comes local accountability which cannot be guaranteed with Hydo One ownership. Please vote to support our desires to continue our responsible ownership of PDI.

-- Attachment --