



EB-2018-0257

Hydro One Networks Inc.

**Application for permission to upgrade existing transmission facilities in the City
of Timmins and the District of Sudbury, Ontario**

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 2

February 14, 2019

On August 30, 2018, Hydro One Networks Inc. (HONI) applied to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) under sections 92 and 97 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* for permission to upgrade T2R, one circuit of a 115 kilometre idle 115 kilovolt electricity transmission line. At the same time, HONI intends to refurbish T61S, an adjacent transmission circuit located on the same towers as T2R. The T61S refurbishment is not part of this application. HONI is also asking permission to upgrade associated station facilities from Timmins Transformer Station to Shiningtree Junction. These upgrades will supply IAMGOLD's Côté Mine facility located approximately 20 km southwest of Gogama, Ontario.

In accordance with Procedural Order No. 1, which was issued on December 6, 2018, the interrogatory stage of the proceeding was completed on January 15, 2019, and the submission stage was completed on February 12, 2019.

In its submission, OEB staff noted that HONI did not provide separate cost estimates for the T2R and T61S work; rather the estimated costs provided were for the combined T2R/T61S project. OEB staff submitted that HONI's application would have been more helpful had it reported separate cost estimates for the T2R and T61S projects.

HONI did not address OEB staff's concerns in its reply submission.

In its reply submission, HONI noted a customer driven delay of approximately 12 months in the project schedule.

The OEB agrees with OEB staff's view that separate cost estimates for the T2R and T61S work are important and required for determining the true cost estimate of the T2R work that is the subject of this application.

It is necessary to make provision for the following matters related to this proceeding. The OEB may issue further procedural orders from time to time.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. HONI shall file with the OEB revised Tables 1 and 3 from Exhibit B-7-1 which include cost estimates of T2R only. The revised Table 3 shall provide a comparison between the T2R estimated cost and the costs of similar projects with an explanation of any significant differences. These documents shall be filed with the OEB and served on IESO by **February 21, 2019**.
2. Unless the OEB orders otherwise, IESO and OEB staff may file any written submissions on the updated evidence with the OEB and serve them on HONI by **February 28, 2019**.
3. Unless the OEB orders otherwise, HONI may file a written reply submission with the OEB and serve it on IESO by **March 7, 2019**.

All filings to the Board must quote the file number, EB-2018-0257 and be made electronically in searchable / unrestricted PDF format through the OEB's web portal at <https://pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice/>. Two paper copies must also be filed. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and e-mail address. Parties must use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at <https://www.oeb.ca/industry>. If the web portal is not available parties may email their documents to the address below. Those who do not have internet access are required to submit all filings on a USB memory stick in PDF format, along with two paper copies. Those who do not have computer access are required to file 7 paper copies.

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Registrar at the address below, and be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date.

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DATED at Toronto, February 14, 2019

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