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BY COURIER

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

EB-2018-0275-0276-0277 - Disposition of Applications regarding Niagara Reinforcement Limited Partnership (“NRLP”)

Dear Ms. Walli,

Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships Inc. (“HOIP”), General Partner of NRLP, is in receipt of the decision of the Ontario Energy Board (“the Board”) dated December 20, 2018, specifically with respect to EB-2018-0275 (Request for Interim Revenue for the Partial Year of 2019). In that decision, the Board found that the application for revenue effective January 1, 2019 was premature but that the application could be heard later in the year. HOIP intends to provide the Board with an update to that application once the in-service date of the project is finalized.

Two other related applications were made in relation to NRLP. EB-2019-0276 is a request by Hydro One Networks Inc. (“HONI”) under Section 86 (2)(b) of the OEB Act requesting permission to sell the assets of the Niagara Reinforcement Project to NRLP. EB-2019-0277 is a request by HOIP on behalf of NRLP for a transmitter licence.

HOIP and HONI are of the same view, and hereby request that all three applications referred to above should be heard concurrently. This process would be beneficial from a regulatory efficiency point of view in terms of Board and Board Staff resources and from the perspective of public review. Once we have confidence in the in-service date of the new transmission line, HONI will notify the Board to restart the applications and will also update the s.78 application request for interim rates accordingly.

We appreciate the Board’s indulgence and cooperation.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY JOANNE RICHARDSON

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