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April 4, 2019

Ms. Joanne Richardson
Director, Major Projects and Partnerships, Regulatory Affairs
Hydro One Networks Inc.
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Dear Ms. Richardson:

**Re: Hydro One Networks Inc.
Application for Approval of Attribution of Cost and Disposition of Supply to
Essex County Transmission Reinforcement Deferral Account
OEB File Number EB-2019-0120**

This is to acknowledge receipt on February 28, 2019 of your application in the above matter. The OEB has completed a preliminary review of your application.

The OEB notes that the assessment from the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) that was filed as part of the initial Supply to Essex County Transmission Reinforcement application¹ was completed over five years ago, in January 2014. The OEB is therefore requesting confirmation from the IESO on matters addressed in its original assessment including the attribution of costs and that the broader network need still exists, as required by the Transmission System Code.²

The OEB will proceed with the development of public notice. You will receive a letter of direction and a draft of the public notice shortly. The timing of any further procedural steps will be dependent on the OEB's receipt of the information from the IESO. Specifically, the OEB does not intend to proceed with further procedural steps beyond notice until such time as the updated information is filed with the OEB.

¹ EB-2013-0421, July 16, 2015

² Section 6.3.18 states "Where one or more customers triggers the need for a new or modified transmitter-owned connection facility and the IESO undertakes an assessment at the request of a transmitter that confirms the new or modified connection facility will also address a broader network system need, the transmitter shall determine the proportional benefit and the related attribution of costs between the triggering customer(s), collectively, and the network pool"

The OEB has assigned File Number EB-2019-0120 to this application. Please refer to this file number in all future correspondence to the OEB regarding this matter. All information related to this matter must be filed with the Board Secretary.

Please direct any questions relating to this application to Tina Li, Project Advisor at 416-440-8110 or Tina.li@oeb.ca.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

Christine E. Long
Registrar
Office of the Registrar