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October 7, 2018

Ms. Kirsten Walli  
Board Secretary  
Ontario Energy Board  
Suite 2700, 2300 Yonge Street  
P.O. Box 2319  
Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Walli,

**Service Area Amendment Application for Hydro One Networks Inc. to connect a new 200A 120/240V Residential Customer**

Hydro One Networks Inc. (“Hydro One”) is submitting this Service Area Amendment (“SAA”) Application to the Ontario Energy Board (“OEB”) to request to amend Hydro One’s Distribution Licence (ED-2003-0043) and the distribution licence of Westario Power Inc. (“Westario”) (ED-2002-0515). This application is being made specifically for the purpose of connecting one new residential customer in Clifford.

An electronic copy of this Application has been filed through the Ontario Energy Board’s Regulatory Electronic Submission System (RESS).

Should you have any questions on this Application, please contact Pasquale Catalano at (416) 345-5405 or via email at [Pasquale.Catalano@HydroOne.com](mailto:Pasquale.Catalano@HydroOne.com).

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY PASQUALE CATALANO ON BEHALF OF JOANNE RICHARDSON

Joanne Richardson

**Service Area Amendment Application**

**Hydro One Networks Inc.**

**And**

**Westario Power Inc.**

**October-7-19**

## 7.0 INTRODUCTION

*This application for a Service Area Amendment is structured and follows the minimum filing requirement for SAA assigned by the Ontario Energy Board. The section numbers follow the filing requirement of the base reference.*

Hydro One Networks Inc. (“Hydro One”) is submitting this Service Area Amendment (“SAA”) application to the Ontario Energy Board (“OEB”) to request to amend Hydro One’s Distribution Licence (ED-2003-0043) and the distribution licence of Westario Power Inc. (“Westario”) (ED-2002-0515). This application is being made specifically for the purpose of connecting one new residential customer in Clifford.

## 7.1 BASIC FACTS

### GENERAL

#### 7.1.1 (a)

*Provide the contact information for the applicant  
Contact information includes the name, postal address, telephone number, and, where available, the email address and fax number of the person*

#### **The Applicant:**

Hydro One Networks Inc.  
483 Bay Street, 7th Floor, South Tower, Toronto, ON M5G 2P5  
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#### Contact Person:

Pasquale Catalano, Regulatory Advisor  
Phone: (416) 345-5405  
Email: [Pasquale.Catalano@HydroOne.com](mailto:Pasquale.Catalano@HydroOne.com)

#### 7.1.1 (b)

*Provide the contact information for the incumbent distributor  
Contact information includes the name, postal address, telephone number, and, where available, the email address and fax number of the person*

#### The Incumbent Distributor or Co-Applicant:

Westario Power Inc.  
Martin Baumann  
VP of Operations  
24 Eastridge Rd., RR2, Walkerton, ON N0G 2V0  
Telephone: 519-507-6666 ex: 231  
Fax: 519-507-6790  
Email address: [martin.baumann@westario.com](mailto:martin.baumann@westario.com)

### 7.1.1 (c)

*Provide every affected customer, landowner, and developer in the area that is the subject of the SAA Application*

*Contact information includes the name, postal address, telephone number, and, where available, the email address and fax number of the person*

The Registered Owner/Developer or Customer(s):



### 7.1.1 (d) & (e)

*Provide any alternate distributor other than the applicant and the incumbent distributor, if there are any alternate distributors bordering on the area that is the subject of the SAA application; and any representative of the persons listed above including, but not limited to, a legal representative*

There are no alternate distributors or other parties affected by this SAA.

### 7.1.2 REASONS FOR APPROVAL OF THIS AMENDMENT

*Indicate the reasons why this amendment should occur and identify any load transfers eliminated by the proposed SAA.*

The customer approached Westario for a connection, as the customer is within Westario territory, and Westario deemed that it was more cost efficient for Hydro One to service this customer. Westario requires a 170 metre expansion to service the customer, and would need to dip underground because of the ditching. Hydro One is only 48 metres from the connection point. Therefore, it is more economically efficient for Hydro One to serve the customer.

## DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED SERVICE AREA

### 7.1.3

*Provide a detailed description of the lands that are the subject of the SAA application. For SAA applications dealing with individual customers, the description of the lands should include the lot number, the concession number, and the municipal address of the lands. The address should include the street number, municipality and/or county, and postal code of the lands.*

*For SAA applications dealing with general expansion areas, the description of the lands should include the lot number and the concession number of the lands, if available, as well as a clear description of the boundaries of the area (including relevant geographical and geophysical features).*

The subject property is at 50 Minto Street North in Clifford, part of Lot 58, Concession D, Minto Township, PIN: 710010022.

Hydro One's licence will not require any change in wording due to this amendment. Upon approval of this application, however, Westario requests that changes be made to Westario's licence. These requested changes are included in Westario's consent letter found at Attachment 3 of this Application.

### 7.1.4

*Provide one or more maps or diagrams of the area that is the subject of the SAA application.*

See Attachment 1 - Map

#### 7.1.4 (a)

*Borders of the applicant's service area*

See Attachment 1 - Map

#### 7.1.4 (b)

*Borders of the incumbent distributor's service area*

See Attachment 1 - Map

#### 7.1.4 (c)

*Borders of any alternate distributor's service area*

N/A – there are no alternate distributors surrounding this area.

#### 7.1.4 (d)

*Territory surrounding the area for which the applicant is making SAA application*

See Attachment 1 - Map

#### **7.1.4 (e)**

*Geographical and geophysical features of the area including, but not limited to, rivers and lakes, property borders, roads, and major public facilities*

See Attachment 1 - Map

#### **7.1.4 (f)**

*Existing facilities supplying the area that is the subject of the SAA application, if applicable, as well as the proposed facilities which will be utilized by the applicant to supply the area that is the subject of the SAA application (Note: if the proposed facilities will be utilized to also provide for expansion of load in the area that is the subject of the SAA application, identify that as well)*

See Attachment 1 - Map

### **DISTRIBUTION INFRASTRUCTURE IN AND AROUND THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT AREA**

#### **7.1.5**

*Provide a description of the proposed type of physical connection (i.e., individual customer; residential subdivision, commercial or industrial development, or general service area expansion).*

This SAA is for an individual residential customer. The customer will be fed by Hydro One's existing Harriston DS #2 F3 feeder, which is 48 metres from the customer's connection point. See Attachment 1 – Map.

#### **7.1.6**

*Provide a description of the applicant's plans, if any, for similar expansions in lands adjacent to the area that is the subject of the SAA application.  
Provide a map or diagram showing the lands where expansions are planned in relation to the area that is the subject of the SAA application.*

Hydro One does not have any plans for expansion in the lands adjacent to the area that is subject to this SAA application.

## 7.2 EFFICIENT RATIONALIZATION OF THE DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM

*The proposed SAA will be evaluated in terms of rational and efficient service area realignment. This evaluation will be undertaken from the perspective of economic (cost) efficiency as well as engineering (technical) efficiency.*

*Applicants must demonstrate how the proposed SAA optimizes the use of existing infrastructure. In addition, applicants must indicate the long term impacts of the proposed SAA on reliability in the area to be served and on the ability of the system to meet growth potential in the area. Even if the proposed SAA does not represent the lowest cost to any particular party, the proposed SAA may promote economic efficiency if it represents the most effective use of existing resources and reflects the lowest long run economic cost of service to all parties.*

This SAA application represents the most economically and engineering efficient way to service the new customer. The decision to apply for an SAA follows a joint review by Westario and Hydro One. Hydro One has existing infrastructure 48 metres from the new customer's connection point. Alternatively, Westario would require a 168 metre expansion, and would need to dip underground because of ditching on both sides of the road.

### 7.2.1 ECONOMIC AND ENGINEERING EFFICIENCY

*In light of the above, provide a comparison of the economic and engineering efficiency for the applicant and the incumbent distributor to serve the area that is the subject of the SAA application.*

(NOTE: (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g), (h))

#### 7.2.1 (a)

*Location of the point of delivery and the point of connection*

Hydro One's point of delivery will be from the Harriston DS #2 F3 feeder. The point of connection is shown in Attachment 1 – Map.

#### 7.2.1 (b)

*Proximity of the proposed connection to an existing, well developed electricity distribution system*

The proposed new connection is 48 metres from Hydro One's existing distribution system.

#### 7.2.1 (c)

*The fully allocated connection costs for supplying the customer (i.e., individual customers or developers) unless the applicant and the incumbent distributor provide a reason why providing the fully allocated connection costs is unnecessary for the proposed SAA  
(Note: the Board will determine if the reason provided is acceptable).*

The fully allocated cost for supplying this single residential customer is \$6,127.73.

#### **7.2.1 (d)**

*The amount of any capital contribution required from the customer*

The capital contribution required from the customer is \$5,658.36.

#### **7.2.1 (e)**

*Costs for stranded equipment (i.e., lines, cables, and transformers) that would need to be de-energized or removed*

There will be no stranded equipment as a result of this SAA.

#### **7.2.1 (f)**

*Information on whether the proposed SAA enhances, or at a minimum does not decrease, the reliability of the infrastructure in the area that is the subject of the SAA application and in regions adjacent to the area that is the subject of the SAA application over the long term*

This new connection does not decrease the reliability of the infrastructure in the area.

#### **7.2.1 (g)**

*Information on whether the proposed infrastructure will provide for cost-efficient expansion if there is growth potential in the area that is the subject of the SAA application and in regions adjacent to the area that is the subject of the SAA application*

Not applicable; Hydro One does not have plans for expansion beyond this single customer connection.

#### **7.2.1 (h)**

*Information on whether the proposed infrastructure will provide for cost-efficient improvements and upgrades in the area that is the subject of the SAA application and in regions adjacent to the area that is the subject of the SAA application.*

Not applicable; Hydro One does not have plans for expansions beyond this single customer connection.

### **7.3 IMPACTS ARISING FROM THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT**

#### **Description of Impacts**

##### **7.3.1**

*Identify any affected customers or landowners.*

See 7.1.1(c).



### 7.3.2

***Provide a description of any impacts on costs, rates, service quality, and reliability for customers in the area that is the subject of the SAA application that arise as a result of the proposed SAA. If an assessment of service quality and reliability impacts cannot be provided, explain why.***

This section is not applicable, as this is a new customer connection.

### 7.3.3

***Provide a description of any impacts on costs, rates, service quality, and reliability for customers of any distributor outside the area that is the subject of the SAA application that arise as a result of the proposed SAA. If an assessment of service quality and reliability impacts cannot be provided, explain why.***

No customers of another distributor will be affected by the proposed development.

### 7.3.4

***Provide a description of the impacts on each distributor involved in the proposed SAA. If these impacts have already been described elsewhere in the application, providing cross-references is acceptable.***

See proposed licence amendments in section 7.1.3.

### 7.3.5

***Provide a description of any assets which may be stranded or become redundant if the proposed SAA is granted.***

The proposed SAA will not strand any assets, nor will any assets be made redundant.

### 7.3.6

***Identify any assets that are proposed to be transferred to or from the applicant. If an asset transfer is required, has the relevant application been filed in accordance with section 86 of the Act? If not, indicate when the applicant will be filing the relevant section 86 application.***

N/A

### 7.3.7

***Identify any customers that are proposed to be transferred to or from the applicant.***

See Section 7.1.1 (c)

### 7.3.8

*Provide a description of any existing load transfers or retail points of supply that will be eliminated.*

N/A

### 7.3.9

*Identify any new load transfers or retail points of supply that will be created as a result of the proposed SAA. If a new load transfer will be created, has the applicant requested leave of the Board in accordance with section 6.5.5 of the Distribution System Code (“DSC”)?*

*If not, indicate when the applicant will be filing its request for leave under section 6.5.5 of the DSC with the Board. If a new retail point of supply will be created, does the host distributor (i.e., the distributor who provides electricity to an embedded distributor) have an applicable Board approved rate? If not, indicate when the host distributor will be filing an application for the applicable rate.*

N/A

## EVIDENCE OF CONSIDERATION AND MITIGATION OF IMPACTS

### 7.3.10

*Provide written confirmation by the applicant that all affected persons have been provided with specific and factual information about the proposed SAA. As part of the written confirmation, the applicant must include details of any communications or consultations that may have occurred between distributors regarding the proposed SAA.*

See Attachment 2 – Customer Letter

### 7.3.11

*Provide a letter from the incumbent distributor in which the incumbent distributor indicates that it consents to the application.*

See Attachment 3 – Letter from Westario

### 7.3.12

*Provide a written response from all affected customers, developers, and landowners consenting to the application, if applicable.*

See Attachment 2 – Customer Letter and Attachment 3 – Letter from Westario

### 7.3.13

*Provide evidence of attempts to mitigate impacts where customer and/or asset transfers are involved (i.e., customer rate smoothing or mitigation, and compensation for any stranded assets).*

N/A

## **7.4 CUSTOMER PREFERENCE**

### **7.4.1**

*An applicant who brings forward an application where customer choice may be a factor must provide a written statement signed by the customer (which includes landowners and developers) indicating the customer's preference.*

See Attachment 2 – Customer Letter

## **7.5 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CONTESTED APPLICATIONS**

*If there is no agreement among affected persons regarding the proposed SAA, the applicant must file the additional information set out below.*

N/A

### **7.5.1**

*If the application was initiated due to an interest in service by a customer, landowner, or developer, evidence that the incumbent distributor was provided an opportunity to make an offer to connect that customer, landowner, or developer.*

N/A

### **7.5.2**

*Evidence that the customer, landowner, or developer had the opportunity to obtain an offer to connect from the applicant and any alternate distributor bordering on the area that is the subject of the SAA application.*

N/A

### **7.5.3**

*Actual copies of, as well as a summary of, the offer(s) to connect documentation (including any associated financial evaluations carried out in accordance with Appendix B of the Distribution System Code). The financial evaluations should indicate costs associated with the connection including, but not limited to, on-site capital, capital required to extend the distribution system to the customer location, incremental up-stream capital investment required to serve the load, the present value of incremental OM&A costs and incremental taxes as well as the expected incremental revenue, the amount of revenue shortfall, and the capital contribution requested.*

N/A

#### **7.5.4**

*If there are competing offers to connect, a comparison of the competing offers to connect the customer, landowner, or developer.*

N/A

#### **7.5.5**

*A detailed comparison of the new or upgraded electrical infrastructure necessary for each distributor to serve the area that is the subject of the SAA application, including any specific proposed connections.*

N/A

#### **7.5.6**

*Outage statistics or, if outage statistics are not available, any other information regarding the reliability of the existing line(s) of each distributor that are proposed to supply the area that is the subject of the SAA application.*

N/A

#### **7.5.7**

*Quantitative evidence of quality and reliability of service for each distributor for similar customers in comparable locations and densities to the area that is the subject of the SAA application.*

N/A

### **7.6 OTHER**

*It is the sole responsibility of the Applicant to provide all information that is relevant and that would assist the Board in making a determination in this matter. Failure to provide key information may result in a delay in the processing of the application or in the denial of the application.*

N/A

## **7.7 WRITTEN CONSENT/JOINT AGREEMENT**

Hydro One Networks Inc. agrees to all the statements made in this application.

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY PASQUALE CATALANO ON BEHALF OF JOANNE RICHARDSON

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**Joanne Richardson**  
**Director – Major Projects and Partnerships**  
**Hydro One Networks Inc.**

October 7, 2019

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

## **7.8 REQUEST FOR NO HEARING**

**Does the applicant request that the application be determined by the Board without a hearing? If yes, please provide:**

**(a) an explanation as to how no person, other than the applicant and the proposed recipient, will be adversely affected in a material way by the outcome of the proceeding**

**AND**

**(b) the proposed recipient's written consent to the disposal of the application without a hearing.**

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY PASQUALE CATALANO ON BEHALF OF JOANNE RICHARDSON

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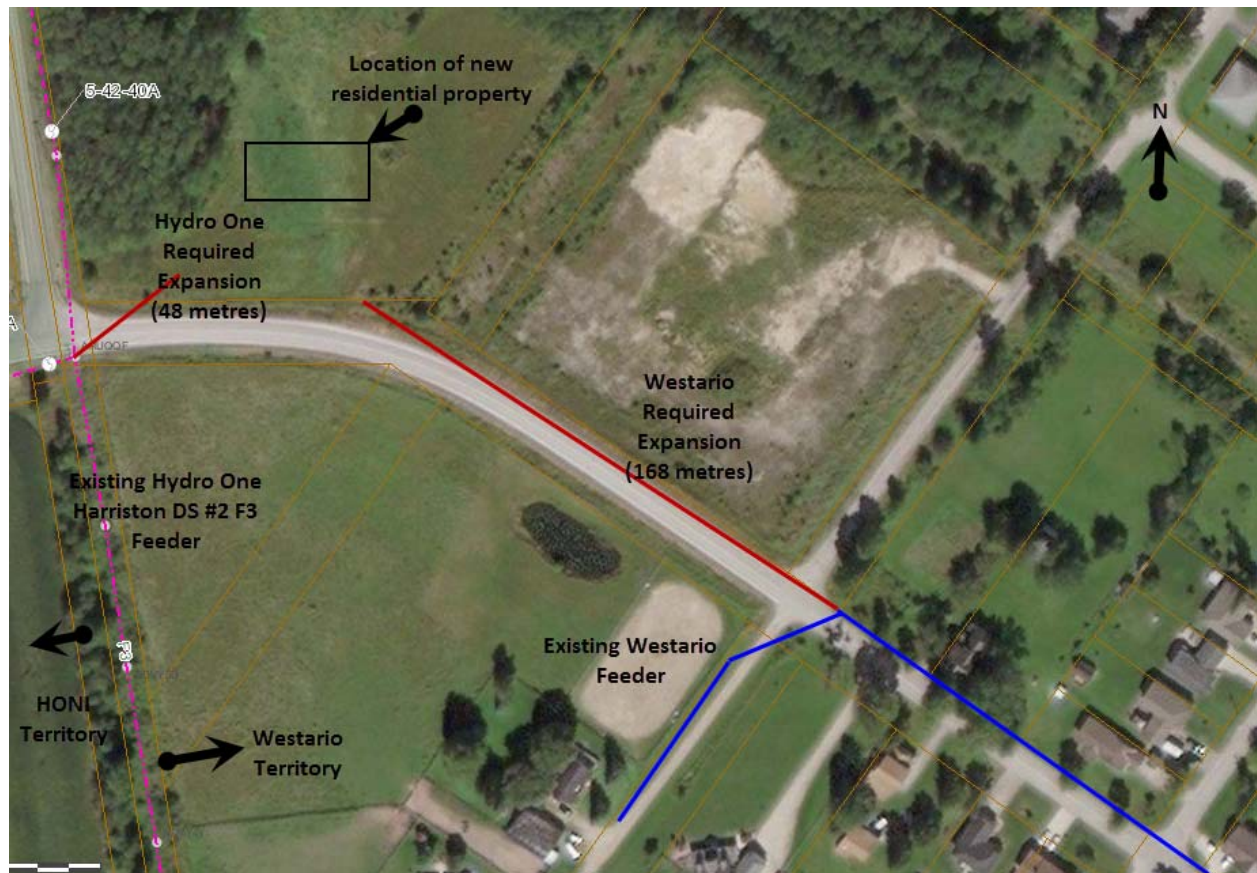
**Joanne Richardson**  
**Director – Major Projects and Partnerships**  
**Hydro One Networks Inc.**

October 7, 2019

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

## **ATTACHMENT 1**

Map – Location of Proposed Development



## **ATTACHMENT 2**

Customer Letter



August 28, 2019

Pasquale Catalano  
483 Bay Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Toronto, ON M5G 2P5

Re: Residential connection at 50 Minto St., Clifford

It is my understanding that approval is required by the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) for the Service Area Amendment (SAA) application that is being made by Hydro One to transfer the property at 50 Minto St., Clifford from Westario to Hydro One territory. I have been provided with specific and factual information regarding the proposed SAA, and fully support Hydro One's application. To expedite the matter, I would also request that the application be disposed without a hearing.

Thank you,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY DON MINEAULT

Don Mineault  
Owner, 50 Minto Street, Clifford

## **ATTACHMENT 3**

Letter from Westario



Westario Power Inc.

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September 27, 2019

Pasquale Catalano, Regulatory Advisor  
Hydro One Networks Inc.  
483 Bay Street, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, South Tower  
Toronto, ON  
M5G 2P5

Dear Mr. Catalano,

**Hydro One Networks Inc. Application for a Service Area Amendment**

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This is to confirm that Westario Power Inc. (“WPI”) supports your application to amend the Hydro One Networks Inc. (“Hydro One”) Distribution Licence as proposed in Hydro One’s service area amendment application. The intent of the application is to amend Hydro One’s distribution licence to include 50 Minto Street North, Clifford, Ontario in the Town of Minto as part of Wellington County.

WPI supports Hydro One’s request to proceed with this service area amendment without a hearing.

For administrative purposes, WPI requests that if the OEB determines that this application is in the public interest, then Appendix B of WPI’s licence should be amended to reflect this amendment, specifically as follows:

**Name of Municipality: Town of Minto as part of Wellington County**

**Area Not Served By Networks:** The area unserved by WPI is described as a lot in the community of Clifford in the Town of Minto as more particularly set out in Licence No. ED-2002-0515.

**Networks assets within area not served by Networks: Yes**

**Customer(s) within area not served by Networks: Yes**

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Martin Baumann, VP of Operations at [martin.baumann@westario.com](mailto:martin.baumann@westario.com) or telephone, at 519-507-6666 x231.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY DAVID LEONCE

David Leonce  
President and CEO of Westario Power Inc.