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

Dear Ms. Long,

EB-2019-0043 – Hydro One Networks' 2018-2022 Distribution Rate Application – 2020 Annual Rate Update (EB-2017-0049)

Thank you for providing Hydro One with the opportunity to review the Ontario Energy Board's draft decision dated December 4, 2019 in respect of application EB-2019-0043. Hydro One has reviewed the draft decision and draft rate order for accuracy and completeness and has the following nine comments, which are listed below for your consideration:

- 1. <u>Decision, Page 2 last sentence before Section "2. The Process"</u>. Please include "base" in the following sentence. "This tax-funded program has been in effect since July 2017 and the current monthly <u>base</u> distribution charge is capped at \$36.86."
- 2. <u>Decision, Page 5, Footnote 11</u>. Please update the footnote to state the following:
 - "2020 Annual Update, August 30, 2019, page 13 of 28. The OEB notes that 2021 and 2022 C factors filed in this 2020 update application are different from what approved in the Draft Rate Order in the 2018-2022 Custom IR proceeding due to the correction Hydro One made in the DRO Reply Submission on May 4, 2019 which resulted in updated C factors in this application regarding the 2018 OPEB cost."
- 3. <u>Decision, Page 6, Footnote 16</u>. Please update the footnote to say "page 39", currently it says "page 38"
- 4. <u>Decision, Page 10, Footnote 26</u>. Please update the footnote to say "page 14 of 28", currently it says "page 14 of 18"



- 5. <u>Decision, Page 11, Section 8</u>. Please update the first sentence in the second paragraph to exclude the words "eight year". Updated sentence should be as follows:
 - "For the 2020 rate year, Hydro One proposed to continue the transition to fully fixed rates based on the approved **eight year** mitigation plan."
- 6. <u>Decision, Page 11, Footnote 30</u>. Please update footnote to update the reference to "EB-2017-0049, March 31, 2017, Exhibit H1-1-1, page 24 of 32", currently it says "EB-2017-0049, Exhibit H1-1-1, updated 2014-05-30, page 24 of 32"
- 7. <u>Decision, Page 12, Footnote 33</u>. Please update footnote to update the reference to "EB-2017-0049, March 31, 2017, Exhibit H1-1-1, page 23 of 32", currently is says "EB-2017-0049, Exhibit H1-1-1, updated 2014-05-30, page 23 of 32"
- 8. <u>Decision, Page 12, Footnote 35</u>. Please update footnote to say "2020 Annual Update, November 8, 2019, Section 4.7", currently it says "ibid"
- 9. <u>Decision, Page 13, Footnote 40</u>. Please add the following reference to the existing footnote: "Final Rate Order (Attachment E to Notice of Amendments to Codes and a Rule), issued on March 14, 2019 in EB-2017-0183."

This filing has been submitted electronically using the OEB's Regulatory Electronic Submission System and two (2) hard copies will be sent via courier.

Sincerely,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY FRANK D'ANDREA

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