



### **Hydro One Networks Inc.**

# Application for leave to upgrade existing transmission line facilities in the Barrie-Innisfil area

## PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 3 February 24, 2020

Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) applied to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) under section 92 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* (Act) for approval to:

- Replace two nine kilometre 115 kV single circuit transmission lines that are currently carried on separate towers, with a new 230 kV double circuit line, carried on a single tower
- Install new equipment and replace end-of-life equipment at the Essa Transformer Station
- Upgrade and expand the Barrie Transformer Station
- Extend the period over which InnPower Corporation (InnPower) may pay its share of the project costs
- Establish an account to track the collection of project costs from InnPower and any other future customer

Hydro One has also requested approval under section 97 of the Act for the form of agreement it offers to landowners to use their land for routing and construction of the proposed facilities.

The OEB issued a Notice of Hearing on November 11, 2019. The Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) applied for intervenor status. No objection was received from Hydro One.

In Procedural Order No. 1, issued December 6, 2019, the IESO was approved as an intervenor and the OEB made provision for the filing of interrogatories, interrogatory responses and submissions by parties.

In Procedural Order No. 2, issued January 23, 2020, the OEB ordered that a technical conference take place to allow for clarification questions arising from the interrogatory responses provided on January 9, 2020. The OEB also cancelled the dates for submissions set out in Procedural Order No. 1.

On February 11, 2020, in accordance with Procedural Order No. 2, a transcribed technical conference was held for further clarification on matters connected with interrogatory responses. Answers to undertakings given at the technical conference were filed with the OEB on February 18, 2020.

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. Hydro One may file its argument-in-chief, and serve it on all parties by **March 4**, **2020**.
- 2. OEB staff and the IESO shall file written submissions, if any, with the OEB and deliver it to Hydro One by **March 18, 2020**.
- 3. Hydro One shall file its written reply submission, if any, with the OEB and serve it on the IESO by **April 1, 2020**.

All materials filed with the OEB must quote the file number, EB-2018-0117, be made in a searchable/unrestricted PDF format and sent electronically through the OEB's web portal at <a href="https://pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice">https://pes.ontarioenergyboard.ca/eservice</a>. Two paper copies must also be filed at the OEB's address provided below. Filings must clearly state the sender's name, postal address and telephone number, fax number and email address. Parties must use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the RESS Document Guideline found at <a href="https://www.oeb.ca/industry">https://www.oeb.ca/industry</a>. If the web portal is not available parties may email their documents to the address below. Those who do not have computer access are required to file seven paper copies.

All communications should be directed to the attention of the Board Secretary at the address below, and be received no later than 4:45 p.m. on the required date. With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, David Martinello at

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**DATED** at Toronto, February 24, 2020

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