

BY E-MAIL

October 13, 2020

Eryn MacKinnon Senior Regulatory Coordinator Hydro One Networks Inc. 483 Bay Street, 7th Floor South Tower Toronto ON M5G 2P5 regulatory@HydroOne.com

Dear Ms. MacKinnon:

Re: Hydro One Sault Ste. Marie Networks Inc. 2021 Transmission Revenue Requirement Application Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2020-0227

Further to the Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) acknowledgement letter dated October 1, 2020, the OEB has completed its preliminary review of your 2021 Transmission Revenue Requirement application and will now commence the processing of your application. An employee of the OEB, to whom authority has been delegated under Section 6 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998,* intends to make a decision on the application without holding a hearing.

Your application is available on the OEB's <u>Electricity Transmission Rates webpage</u> of the OEB's website. You are directed to make a copy of the application available in a prominent place on your company's website within 3 business days.

OEB staff may have questions regarding the application and will be in contact with you directly throughout the course of the application review. OEB staff may contact you by email and/or by telephone. OEB staff has scheduled a teleconference for November 4, 2020, in the event that there are matters that need to be discussed further. Please ensure that appropriate members of your staff are available at that time or inform the OEB case manager below if this date is unworkable.

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As part of the 2021 application, you will update Hydro One Sault Ste. Marie's revenue cap index and 2021 revenue requirement using the OEB's inflation factor for incentive rate setting for 2021 rates. We anticipate that the OEB will issue that factor during the course of this proceeding.

Following these steps, the delegated decision maker will provide you with a draft of their proposed decision. You may comment on the draft decision within 7 days. The delegated decision maker will consider your comments and issue a final decision.

Please note that the timely processing of the application depends on the receipt of information within the specified timelines. Any questions relating to this letter or the process for your application should be directed to Michael Price, Project Advisor at 416-440-7632 or Michael.Price@oeb.ca. The OEB's toll-free number is 1-888-632-6273. Please copy the Registrar at registrar@oeb.ca with any future correspondence.

Yours truly,

Original Signed By

Theodore Antonopoulos Vice President, Applications

c: M. Engelberg, Hydro One