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BY RESS AND EMAIL

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

Dear Ms. Long,

EB-2020-0031 – Hydro One Networks Inc. – Distribution Rate Application for the Areas Formerly Served by Norfolk Power Distribution Inc., Haldimand County Hydro Inc., and Woodstock Hydro Services Inc. – Draft Decision

Thank you for providing Hydro One with the opportunity to review the Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) draft decision in respect of application EB-2020-0031. Hydro One has reviewed the draft decision for accuracy and completeness and has the following comments:

- 1. <u>Decision, Page 1.</u> Please remove footnote 1, as it is not applicable.
- 2. <u>Decision, Page 2.</u> Please remove the reference to a five-year term option and setting the rates on a cost of service basis. Rates for NPDI, HCHI and WHSI were frozen as a result of deferral period due to Hydro One's acquisition.
- 3. <u>Decision, Page 2.</u> Please move the last sentence: "The increase and decreases do not factor in applicable taxes or the Ontario Electricity Rebate.²" to Page 1 (right after the bill impacts for the three service areas).
- 4. <u>Decision, Page 3.</u> Please change the date that Hydro One Networks filed an application from November 3, 2020 to August 17, 2020.
- 5. <u>Decision, Pages 13, 16, and 20, Section b)</u> Capacity Based Recovery Class B Subaccount. Please rephrase to indicate that the sub-account reflects a credit balance for NPDI, HCHI and WHSI.



- 6. <u>Decision, Pages 13, 16, and 20, Section b) Capacity Based Recovery Class B Sub-account.</u> Please rephrase to say "...Hydro One Networks requested *to refund* a portion of..." for NPDI, HCHI and WHSI. Currently it states that Hydro One Networks requested recovery which is not the case.
- 7. <u>Decision, Page 16, Section b) Capacity Based Recovery Class B Sub-account.</u> To be consistent with the same section for NPDI (Page 13) and WHSI (Page 20), please change the period mentioned from "July 2017 to December 2019" to "January 2016 to December 2019".
- 8. <u>Decision, Page 18, Table 6.4.</u> Please update the Totals for all Group 1 accounts from 2,445,303 to 2,445,503.
- 9. <u>Decision, Page 22, Table 6.6.</u> Please add a closing bracket to the RSVA Global Adjustment (1589) Principal Balance \$ (A).

In addition to the above comments, consistent with the OEB's recent Order in EB-2020-0288 (issued December 10th, 2020), it is Hydro One's understanding that OEB Staff will update the Specific Service Charge for Wireline Pole Attachement in Schedule A to \$44.50 per attacher per year per pole for NPDI, HCHI and WHSI.

An electronic copy has been submitted using the Board's Regulatory Electronic Submission System.

Sincerely,

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