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Ms. Christine E. Long
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Ontario Energy Board
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Dear Ms. Long:

EB-2020-0265 – Hydro One Networks Inc. Leave to Construct Application – Hawthorne to Merivale Reconductoring Project – Request for Confidential Treatment of Informational Data Underpinning Interrogatory Response Exhibit I, Tab 2, Schedule 1, part a)

Pursuant to rule 10.01 of the OEB *Rules of Practice and Procedure* and the OEB's *Practice Direction on Confidential Filings*, Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) hereby requests the confidential treatment of information data that is used in the results contained in Table 1- *Evaluation of Alternatives*, of the interrogatory response filed today in Exhibit I, Tab 2, Schedule 1 part a). The information underpinning Table 1 is sensitive and privileged data pertaining to flows on the Bulk Electrical System. This is classified as commercially sensitive information as there is a potential for historical data to be used for future speculative transactional opportunities and therefore detrimental to free market forces, and it should not be publicly disclosed. For these reasons, Hydro One submits that the confidentiality of this information outweighs the public interest in disclosure.

The information described above, for which Hydro One requests confidential treatment, is consistent with the types of information for which confidential treatment is contemplated in Appendix 'A' to the Practice Direction and for which the OEB has consistently granted confidential status.

Additionally, for the OEB's information, an electronic copy of the interrogatory responses has been submitted using the Board's Regulatory Electronic Submission System.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Joanne Richardson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Joanne" being more prominent than the last name "Richardson".

Joanne Richardson

c/ EB-2020-0265 Intervenors (Electronic only)

CONFIDENTIAL ATTACHMENT

**[Filed confidentially with the OEB in accordance with the
Practice Direction on Confidential Filings]**