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Attn: Board Secretary

Attention: Registrar

Case file number: EB-2020-0246

By this letter Sunset Shores Peninsula Association ("SSPA") applies for intervenor status in the above case file number in which the applicant is Hydro One Networks.

SSPA is a not for profit corporation whose members are home and cottage owners on Sunset Shores Peninsula, located in the Township of South Frontenac, in the County of Frontenac. Letters Patent as Ontario Corporation Number 1411686 were issued to SSPA on April 20, 2000. SSPA has an active board of directors and provides community services to the peninsula including repair and maintenance of roads and lanes and a refuse transfer facility. SSPA represents the members in matters of common interest that affect them. There are in excess of 70 properties on the peninsula of which approximately 70 are ratepayers of Hydro One Networks for the purpose of receiving and paying for electricity.

In the above case file Hydro One Networks has filed a proposed plan for eliminating the Seasonal Rate Class. The great plurality of the members of SSPA are currently in the Seasonal Rate Class. The proposed plan of the applicant would move the members of SSPA into the Residential Low Density (R2) Class. Based on calculations provided by the applicant and a review of the electricity bills and statements from our members, the applicant proposes a result which would more than double the electricity bills for our members, without any change in electricity consumption. The main foundation for this request for intervention is the massive burden that will fall on ratepayers at Sunset Shores Peninsula if their electricity bills more than

double. In the history of our community association no other public utility, service provider, or taxing authority has ever proposed such an unconscionable increase.

The form letter sent by Hydro One to the members of SSPA giving notice of the application provides little or no justification for the rate increase and is accompanied by a chart that is confusing and perhaps misleading, based on the customary electricity usage of our members. That is, the Hydro One letter does not give a clear indication to the ratepayers of what is being proposed but leaves the ratepayers to attempt to perform their own analysis of the meaning of the application to them.

SSPA wishes to question the applicant by way of written interrogatory, so as to bring out facts and data that will be helpful to the OEB in studying and making a decision on the application. Our members wish to challenge the rationale and logic (or lack of logic) by Hydro One in its proposed rate plan filed with OEB for the elimination of the Seasonal Class. By way of scope, SSPA intends to file a written brief challenging the proposed plan of Hydro One. SSPA may wish to question witnesses on behalf of the applicant.

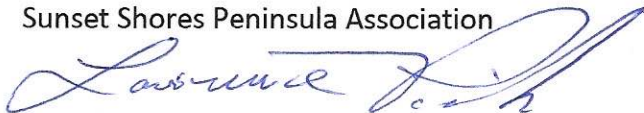
SSPA requests an oral hearing. Justice must always be seen to be done and where a public utility proposes to double its rates on a large body of its rural seasonal users, the public interest is properly served by an oral hearing. Without an oral hearing there is a risk that in the mind of the public the Board, with its principal offices in Toronto, in an application brought by a utility with its principal offices in Toronto, has failed to fully appreciate the legitimate interests of rural and remote customers in this province.

SSPA asks for the opportunity to request costs at the close of the hearing, and relies on section 3.03(a) and (c) of the Board's Practice Direction on Cost Awards.

The contact particulars of the applicant SSPA are set out at the head of this letter. Correspondence by email is the preferred method of communication.

Respectfully yours,

Sunset Shores Peninsula Association

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lawrence Pick", is written over the printed name of the association.

Per Lawrence Pick, past president