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BY RESS AND EMAIL

April 14, 2021

Ms. Christine E. Long
Registrar
Ontario Energy Board
Suite 2700, 2300 Yonge Street
P.O. Box 2319
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Dear Ms. Long,

EB-2021-0118 – Framework for Energy Innovation: Distributed Resources and Utility Incentives – Working Group Member Nomination

On March 23, 2021, the Ontario Energy Board (“OEB”) issued a letter which reformed the existing Utility Remuneration and Responding to DERs initiatives under a new name and file number, and set out two proposed near-term priority workstreams and the approach to the work for this policy consultation. The letter also indicated the OEB’s intention to create a Framework for Energy Innovation Working Group (FEI WG) to review the near-term priority workstreams and make recommendations for the OEB’s considerations. The letter invited stakeholders with relevant experience and qualifications to be nominated to the FEI WG by April 14, 2021. With this letter, Hydro One Networks Inc. (“Hydro One”) would like to request participation in the FEI WG.

Hydro One has been proudly serving its customers reliable, safe, and cost effective electricity for over 100 years and owns of more than 98% of Ontario’s transmission system capacity and one third of Ontario’s distribution system. Hydro One already has approximately 2,500MW of installed DER capacity, or 40% of our peak demand, connected to our distribution grid and has already started to make foundational modernization investments in its infrastructure to accommodate these technologies. Hydro One continues to see customer demand to connect DERs to its system and continues to evaluate DERs as alternatives to traditional infrastructure. As both transmitter and host distributor to many Ontario distribution companies, Hydro One is acutely aware of the upstream implications associated with connection of DERs. Hydro One is well positioned to provide a unique and important perspective to the OEB’s FEI WG and this proceeding.

Hydro One wishes to nominate Michael Medeiros, Manager, Distribution Investment Planning for participation in the FEI WG. Mr. Medeiros is a professional engineer with 20 years of experience at Hydro One. His team is responsible for planning of Hydro One’s capital and maintenance

distribution work programs including the consideration of DERs as alternatives to traditional wires investments for addressing system reliability issues. Hydro One believes that Mr. Medeiros's experience and knowledge would make him a valuable contributor to the FEI WG.

Hydro One looks forward to participating in this important proceeding. Please do not hesitate to contact me directly or Mr. Medeiros at Michael.Medeiros@hydroone.com if you have any further questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frank D'Andrea".

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