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## BY EMAIL AND RESS

June 28, 2021

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-2021-0180 – OEB Innovation Sandbox Renewal Consultation – Letter of Interest

On June 23, 2021, the Ontario Energy Board ("OEB") issued a letter which initiated a consultation to renew its Innovation Sandbox. The OEB invited stakeholders to indicate their interest in this matter by filing a letter with the OEB. Hydro One wishes to register its interest in participating in this consultation.

In the letter the OEB indicated that its first step would be to hold meetings with interested stakeholders in July and August to discus opportunities for the Sandbox renewal, prior to issuing a draft Sandbox redesign and hosting a stakeholder event in Fall 2021. Hydro One is interested in participating in the initial meetings with OEB staff. Given that Hydro One has previously sought regulatory relief through the Innovation Sandbox, Hydro One would prefer a one-on-one meeting with OEB staff so that it can more freely share its prior experiences.

Hydro One is not requesting cost eligibility and looks forward to participating in this important proceeding. Please do not hesitate to contact Stephen Vetsis at <u>Stephen.Vetsis@hydroone.com</u> if you have any further questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

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