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Ms. Christine Long
Board Secretary
Ontario Energy Board (the “**Board**”)
2300 Yonge Street, 27th Floor
Toronto, Ontario

RE: Hydro One’s Application to Establish a New Regulatory Account – Affiliate Transmission Projects Account (EB-2021-0169)

We are counsel to Gwayakocchigewin Limited Partnership (“**GLP**”). We are writing to seek intervenor status in this proceeding on behalf of GLP. GLP is owned by eight of the eleven First Nations which have traditional territories on the route of the proposed Waasigan transmission line project (the “**Project**”). These First Nations are:

- Eagle Lake First Nation
- Fort William First Nation
- Lac La Croix First Nation
- Lac Seul First Nation
- Nigigoonsiminikaaning First Nation
- Seine River First Nation
- Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation
- Ojibway Nation of Saugeen

GLP’s First Nations are engaging directly with the Crown on the Duty to Consult and accommodate on this Project, and expressed to the Crown the First Nations’ interest in Project ownership. Our group has been in partnership discussions with Hydro One, but unfortunately these discussions have stalled. GLP First Nations remain interested in ownership in the Project, whether in partnership with Hydro One, or another proponent that may carry out construction of the Project. As such, the issues being discussed in this hearing, and potential outcome will have an impact on GLP First Nation’s ultimate participation on the Project.

GLP intends to participate in the proceeding as necessary, and may submit evidence, argument or interrogatories, and/or cross-examine witnesses. While our application to intervene is late, we do not believe that this intervention will cause any delay to the processing or determination of the application. This application was late as we were not informed by HONI that such an application was being sought. GLP will abide by the deadlines imposed to date by the Board and are not seeking any amendments to the proceedings as scheduled.

GLP intends to seek an award for costs. If GLP's request for intervenor status is granted, GLP will represent a perspective relevant to the Board's mandate and to the proceeding for which cost award eligibility is sought.

For the purposes of service and delivery of documents in the proceeding, please contact:

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Thank you for your consideration of this application. Should the Board require any further information on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours truly,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kate', with a stylized flourish extending to the right.

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