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To Whom It May Concern

I wish to express my caution and concern regarding the five year Joint Rate application for transmission and distribution. My chief concern is that the plan has been completed by a bureaucracy that is intent on preserving the status quo, at a time when the status quo is impossible to sustain.

In essence, as climate change brings unprecedented and unpredictable disruption to thr manner we create and use electricity especially with the enormous and exponentially growing demand for local renewable energy sources, I do not see this being reflected in the five year plan for transmission and distribution. Clearly, there is a greater and greater need for distributed generation, even to the point where neighbourhoods will become self-sufficient utilizing solar PV power generation and battery storage systems. This is not a dream for decades down the road, but rather a necessity in this decade. I do not see this in the planning of a bureaucracy that can only see as far as the "tip of its nose".

Therefore I'd ask the Ontario Energy Board to send Hydro One back to the drawing board on this one. For what it's worth, I do not support the application as it currently stands. It fails the people of Ontario to prepare for the onslaught of climate change disruption and concomitant disasters such as fires, droughts, heat and cold temperature extremes.

Brian Hart