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Dear Ms. MacKinnon:

Re: Hydro One Sault Ste. Marie Networks Inc. 2022 Transmission Revenue Requirement Application Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2021-0186

Further to the Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) acknowledgement letter dated August 27, 2021, the OEB has completed its preliminary review of your 2022 Transmission Revenue Requirement application and will now commence the processing of your application. An employee of the OEB, to whom authority has been delegated under Section 6 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, intends to make a decision on the application without holding a hearing.

Your application is available on the OEB's <u>Electricity Transmission Rates webpage</u> of the OEB's website. You are directed to make a copy of the application available in a prominent place on your company's website within three business days.

OEB staff may have questions regarding the application and will be in contact with you directly throughout the course of the application review. OEB staff may contact you by email and/or by telephone. OEB staff has scheduled a teleconference for October 7, 2021, in the event that there are matters that need to be discussed further. Please ensure that appropriate members of your staff are available at that time or inform the OEB case manager below if this date is unworkable.

Please note that you are responsible for ensuring that all documents filed with the OEB, including responses to OEB staff questions and any other supporting evidence, **do not include "personal information"** as that phrase is defined in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*, unless filed in accordance with rule 9A of the OEB's *Rules of Practice and Procedure*.

As part of the 2022 application, you will update Hydro One Sault Ste. Marie's revenue cap index and 2022 revenue requirement using the OEB's inflation factor for incentive rate setting for 2022 rates. We anticipate that the OEB will issue that factor during the course of this proceeding.

Following these steps, the delegated decision maker will provide you with a draft of their proposed decision. You may comment on the draft decision within seven days. The delegated decision maker will consider your comments and issue a final decision.

Please quote OEB file number **EB-2021-0186** for all materials filed and submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the <u>OEB's online filing portal</u>.

- Filings should clearly state the sender's name, postal address, telephone number and e-mail address
- Please use the document naming conventions and document submission standards outlined in the <u>Regulatory Electronic Submission System (RESS)</u> <u>Document Guidelines</u> found at the <u>Filing Systems page</u> on the OEB's website
- Parties are encouraged to use RESS. Those who have not yet <u>set up an account</u>, or require assistance using the online filing portal can contact <u>registrar@oeb.ca</u> for assistance

Please note that the timely processing of the application depends on the receipt of information within the specified timelines. Any questions relating to this letter or the process for your application should be directed to Michael Price, Project Advisor at 416-440-7632 or Michael.Price@oeb.ca. The OEB's toll-free number is 1-888-632-6273. Please copy the Registrar at registrar@oeb.ca with any future correspondence.

Yours truly,

Original signed by

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