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EB-2021-0110 – Hydro One Networks Inc. (HONI) 2023-2027 Transmission and Distribution Joint Rate Application re:Procedural Order No. 1 and HONI Request For Reply Evidence Response Society of United Professionals' Submission

Dear Ms. Long,

Further to the OEB's Procedural Order No. 1 in the HONI EB-2021-0110 proceeding, the Society of United Professionals (SUP) supports HONI's request of the OEB that it should be allowed to file reply evidence in response to evidence filed by OEB staff and / or intervenors [ref. HONI letter to the OEB Registrar, dated 2021-09-16].

SUP submits that allowing HONI earlier access to such evidence filed by OEB staff and / or intervenors, including working papers, and allowing the preparation of a written reply response will contribute to the efficacy of the proceeding process as well as procedural fairness. By having the Hydro One written reply response on the record early in the proceeding allows parties to more efficiently prepare for the cross examination of witnesses at the oral hearing on this evidence. By having this reply evidence on the record may also facilitate reaching a settlement proposal on this evidence and issue at the planned settlement conference, thus eliminating the need for the cross-examination of the responsible witnesses at the oral hearing.

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