May 30, 2022 **VIA: E-mail**

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Dear Ms. Marconi:

RE: Request for Intervenor Status in Ontario Energy Board File # EB-2022-0145 re: Hydro One Networks Inc. Application for Exemptions from Certain Provisions in the Distribution System Code and for an Accounting Order.

I have received your Notice of Hearing and Procedural Order No. 1 dated May 13, 2022, concerning an application filed by Hydro One Networks Inc. with the Ontario Energy Board seeking approval for exemptions from certain provisions in the Distribution System Code until December 31, 2027, for customers affected by the Seasonal Rate Class elimination.

By way of background, I was an active intervenor in the EB-2020-0246 proceeding re the Implementation of the Ontario Energy Board’s Decision on the Elimination of the Hydro One Networks Inc. Seasonal Rate Class. My interest continues to focus on the impact of the hydro rate changes forthcoming which will most significantly, and negatively, impact certain of the current Seasonal Rate Class consumers, especially those with low consumption levels.

My letter dated September 12, 2021, requesting intervenor status in EB-2021-0110 re Hydro One Network Inc. 2023-2027 Joint Distribution and Transmission Rates Application was also accepted. With regards to the latter proceeding, the OEB Notice of August 19, 2021, in that matter stated that: “Seasonal Rates are being considered in a separate proceeding (EB-2020-0246) but are expected to be implemented in this proceeding.” I continue to monitor developments in that proceeding, specifically in relation to the impacts on the Seasonal Rate Class.

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Please accept this letter as my request for intervenor status in your File Number EB-2022-0145 re: Hydro One Networks Inc. Application for Exemptions from Certain

Provisions in the Distribution System Code and for an Accounting Order. My reading of your Notice indicates that this proceeding will directly and exclusively impact “customers affected by the Seasonal Rate Class elimination”, consisting of approximately 148,000 customers.

I wish to continue to participate as an intervenor in this 3rd OEB proceeding by raising questions and commenting as appropriate on various matters, including communications, relating to the Seasonal Rate Class through to their fruition and final implementation.

To address the Ontario Energy Board’s additional requirements of prospective intervenors, I submit the following. Firstly, I do not intend to seek an award of costs in this matter. Secondly, I am not a member of any interest group, association or other organization relevant to these matters, nor do I represent any such group, association or organization.

Thank you in advance for your consideration of this request.

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