

October 13, 2023

Ms. Nancy Marconi
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Ontario Energy Board
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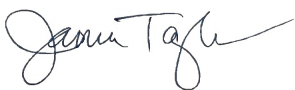
Dear Ms. Marconi,

The Thunder Bay Community Economic Development Commission (CEDC) is the city's lead economic development agency and champion for local growth. We are led by an independent board and are driven by the needs of our community. Our business and community development team respond quickly to new opportunities to attract visitors, new talent, employment, business development and investment to Thunder Bay.

The CEDC supports the application as submitted to the to the Ontario Energy Board by Hydro One Networks Inc. for the construction of the Waasigan Transmission Line, comprising of approximately 360 kilometers transmission line and associated facilities. The Waasigan line is critical to support projected growth and energy demand in the northwest, particularly related to mining projects in the area. It will also be important that the application is approved that includes the request that the two phases be built continuously with no time gap in between.

Thank you for your continued attention to this important matter.

Sincerely,



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