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December 22, 2023

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

EB-2023-0198 – Hydro One Networks Inc. (“Hydro One”) Leave to Construct Application – Waasigan Project – Confidential Filing

Hydro One writes further to our letter of December 19, 2023, requesting confidential treatment of Hydro One's responses to certain OEB Staff Interrogatories.

Consistent with Section 2 of the Practice Direction, Hydro One is not seeking the requested confidential treatment to be applied to OEB Staff, OEB Counsel or OEB Commissioners, nor for any of them to sign a Declaration & Undertaking.

For clarity, Hydro One still requests that confidential treatment be applied for its responses to OEB staff interrogatories 9(a) and (b) with respect to all counsel, experts and consultants for any of the interveners from whom the OEB receives a Declaration & Undertaking. Hydro One maintains that such treatment is required to protect the integrity of the subcontracts procurement yet to be conducted by its EPC contractor (Valard) for the Waasigan Project. One or more of the intervener groups in this proceeding, including their respective representatives and counsel, are involved with and act as business advisors to entities that will be bidding for a subcontract with Valard. Any inadvertent disclosure to these bidding entities of the pricing information that is the subject of OEB staff interrogatories 9(a) and (b), would give them a competitive commercial advantage jeopardizing Valard's procurement process. Such impact could further result in a potential damages claim by Valard against Hydro One. It is therefore imperative that the confidential information contained in Hydro One's responses to OEB staff interrogatories 9(a) and (b) receive the requested treatment.

Hydro One also requests that confidential treatment be applied for its responses to OEB staff interrogatories 4(a), 22(a), 25(f) and 30(e) except to those counsel, experts or consultants for any of the registered parties from whom the OEB receives a Declaration & Undertaking.

Please contact Joanne Richardson joanne.richardson@hydroone.com if you have any questions in regard to the foregoing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Joanne Richardson', written in a cursive style.

Joanne Richardson