

**Hydro One Remote Communities Inc.**

**EB-2023-0031**

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**OEB Staff Question - 1**

**Ref: Application Summary, Exhibit A, Tab 4, Schedule 1, Pg. 4, Table 2**

On November 30, 2023, the OEB issued a Decision and Order approving the Settlement Proposal for Wataynikaneyap Power LP’s (WPLP) 2024 transmission revenue requirement.<sup>1</sup> WPLP’s transmission connection costs are a direct flow-through cost for Hydro One Remotes Inc, which are funded through the Rural or Remote Electricity Rate Protection (RRRP) program. WPLP’s approved 2024 revenue requirement resulting from the Settlement Proposal and the updated cost of capital parameters is summarized in Table 1 below.

**Table 1: Summary of Change in Revenue Requirement with Cost of Capital Update**

	Revenue Requirement for Rates (\$000's)		
	Line to Pickle Lake	Remote Connection Lines	Total
Rate Application (2023-06-23)	37,657	128,034	165,691
Settlement Proposal & 2024 Cost of Capital Update	33,586	119,237	152,822
Change	-4,071	-8,797	-12,869
% Change	-10.8%	-0.7%	-0.8%

**Question:**

Please update the RRRP using the approved Settlement Proposal with the updated cost of capital parameters to reflect WPLP’s approved 2024 transmission revenue requirement.

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<sup>1</sup> EB-2023-0168, Decision and Order, issued November 30, 2023