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BY EMAIL AND RESS

Ms. Nancy Marconi
Registrar
Ontario Energy Board
Suite 2700, 2300 Yonge Street
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Dear Ms. Marconi:

**Re: Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) Application for Leave to Construct –
Waasigan Project Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2023-0198**

We are counsel to Hydro One in the above matter. On January 27, 2024, Hydro One received additional unsolicited comments from Mr. Larry Richard via email regarding certain further interrogatory responses Hydro One filed on January 22, 2024, pursuant to Procedural Order No. 3 in this proceeding. A copy of Mr. Richard's email is enclosed.

Hydro One has already provided responses to Mr. Richard's previous email request and to his initial interrogatories. We do not have any further information to share to address his last email concerns.

Yours truly,

McCarthy Tétrault LLP

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'G. Nettleton', with a stylized flourish extending from the end.

Per:
Gordon M. Nettleton
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Encl.

c: Reena Goyal, McCarthy Tétrault LLP
Joanne Richardson, Hydro One
Andrew Flannery, Hydro One

From: Larry Richard <lrch@eastlink.ca>
Sent: Saturday, January 27, 2024 12:38 PM
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Subject: [EXT] Re: EB-2023-0198 – Hydro One Networks Inc. Leave to Construct Application – Waasigan Project – Responses to Hydro One's response to Procedural Order No. 3

Once again Hydro One refuses to answer my questions as to provide the details requested to provide the documentation, minutes of meetings and emails as to why the Steep Rock Mine Corridor was not considered as an alternate route. I should note that i mistakenly wrote 100 year ban on pesticides but should have stated herbicides. I had previously read the terms of reference and the response to this in the Section 2.2.5.3.3 of the EA but what i am looking for is the correspondence to which why an already deforested corridor was not even included in the terms of reference. I would expect a desk top analysis could be completed within a couple of days to determine the the impact of adding a 16 metre swath on top of the 30 metre corridor that already exists in which constraints and alternatives could be quickly established (note: the constraints were already identified in my zoom meeting with Hydro One on August 31, 2023 and should be easily documented). Hydro One did not look at any alternatives between Shabaqua and Atikokan with the exception of a few minor refinements near Atikokan. For clarity, the Steep Rock Corridor I speak of is the brownfield route from Thunder Bay to the Steep Rock Mine site in Atikokan. Hydro One discusses a portion of this route in there response and quotes Section 2.2.5.3.1 of the final EA, however the information Hydro One provided in this section is mostly inaccurate in regards to space and physical constraints. Hydro One suggests that an impact to an active aggregate operation and habitat fragmentation is of greater priority than the costs and impacts of displacing 234 homes that Hydro One is trying to buy out. The truth is being buried, but the rate payers of Ontario, Hydro One shareholders and the affected property owners along the proposed route deserve the right to know why this corridor was not considered. It is never too late to fix what is wrong and given that this corridor is mostly cleared with suspected little risk to implantation and approvals such that lost time to the schedule could be greatly recovered especially if there is a cease and desist order until Kaministiquia property owners issues have been resolved. With respect to Hydro One's response to Tab 5, Schedule 3 Response a), b), c) the OEB has already stated that these questions are relevant, please answer the questions as stated.

Sincerely,

Larry Richard

On Jan 22, 2024, at 2:21 PM, REGULATORY AFFAIRS <RegulatoryAffairs@hydroone.com> wrote:

Good afternoon,

Please find attached Hydro One Networks Inc. Interrogatory Responses to additional questions - **Mr. Larry Richards's Interrogatories**.

An electronic copy of the interrogatory responses has been submitted using the Board's Regulatory Electronic Submission System.

Sincerely,

Carla Molina

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