



BY E-MAIL

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LETTER OF DIRECTION

Dear Mr. Vellone:

**Re: PUC (Transmission) LP and Hydro One Sault Ste. Marie
Application for Leave to Construct and Related Matters
Ontario Energy Board File Number: EB-2023-0360**

The Ontario Energy Board (OEB) has now issued its Notice of Hearing for PUC (Transmission) LP (PUC Tx) and Hydro One Sault Ste. Marie's (HOSSM) application for Leave to Construct transmission lines and station facilities and associated approvals (Notice). The English and French versions of the Notice will be published by the OEB, in accordance with directions to the OEB's agent which were copied to you. Please note that you must comply with the directions in paragraphs 1 through 3 below prior to **February 9, 2024**. If you are unable to comply with the directions within this timeframe, you must inform the Registrar immediately at registrar@oeb.ca.

You are directed:

1. To conduct a search of title forthwith, sufficient to determine the current registered property owners and encumbrancers with lands or interest in the lands directly affected by the proposed construction of the transmission line and station facilities.
2. No later than the date the Notice is posted on PUC Tx and HOSSM's websites in accordance with paragraph 3, to: arrange for the service of each of the enclosed English and French versions of the Notice, in the exact form accompanying this letter and the application and the evidence, directly on each of the following:
 - a) All property owners and encumbrancers with lands or interest in lands identified in the search of title referred to in paragraph 1

- b) All electricity distributors in whose service areas the proposed transmission line and related facilities will be located
 - c) All generators impacted by the proposed transmission line and related facilities
 - d) All transmission customers of PUC Tx and HOSSM impacted by the proposed transmission line and related facilities
 - e) All owners and operators of rail lines, telecommunications (e.g., telephone) or other utilities along or crossing the route and location for the proposed transmission line and station facilities
 - f) The Clerks of all municipal or township offices of the communities that the transmission line cross and where associate facilities are located
 - g) All indigenous communities that have been consulted or with lands or interest in the lands directly affected by the proposed upgrade and construction of the transmission line and related facilities
 - h) The following government ministries and agencies:
 - i. Ministry of Energy
 - ii. Ministry of Infrastructure
 - iii. Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks
 - iv. Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry
 - v. Ministry of Northern Development
 - vi. Ministry of Indigenous Affairs
 - vii. Ministry of Transportation
 - viii. Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing
 - ix. Ministry of Tourism, Culture and Sport
 - x. Ministry of Citizenship and Multiculturalism
 - xi. Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
 - xii. Infrastructure Ontario
 - xiii. Electrical Safety Authority
 - xiv. Independent Electricity System Operator
 - i) The following federal government departments:
 - i. Environment and Climate Change Canada
 - ii. Fisheries and Oceans Canada
 - iii. Transport Canada
 - iv. Indigenous Services Canada
3. To make a copy of both the English and French versions of the Notice, the application and the evidence, and any amendments there to in a prominent place on PUC Tx and HOSSM's websites.
4. For PUC Tx and HOSSM to file with the OEB a joint affidavit proving completion of the matters in paragraphs 1 through 3 above immediately thereafter.

5. To provide a copy of the Notice, the application and the evidence, and any amendments thereto, to anyone requesting the material.

You are further directed not to include any documents or materials when serving the Notice other than documents or materials expressly required by this letter of direction to be served.

Yours truly,

Nancy Marconi
Registrar

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