

Hydro One Networks Inc.

**Application for leave to construct: refurbishment of a
section of electricity transmission line between Kirkland
Lake Transformer Station and Matachewan Junction**

PROCEDURAL ORDER NO. 1

February 7, 2024

Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) applied to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) on November 13, 2023, under sections 92 and 97 of the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, for an order granting leave to refurbish approximately 10 kilometres of an existing 115 kilovolt electricity transmission line between Kirkland Lake Transformer Station and Structure #82, towards Matachewan Junction in the municipality of Kirkland Lake (Project).

Hydro One also applied to the OEB for approval of the form of land-use agreements it offers to landowners for the establishment of additional permanent rights for the transmission line, as well as temporary construction rights for access or staging areas required during the construction period of the Project.

The OEB issued a Notice of Hearing on December 8, 2023. Environmental Defence applied for intervenor status and cost eligibility.

No objection to Environment Defence's intervention was received from Hydro One.

Environmental Defence is approved as an intervenor and is eligible to apply for an award of costs under the OEB's [Practice Direction on Cost Awards](#).

Cost eligible intervenors should be aware that the OEB will not generally allow the recovery of costs for the attendance of more than one representative of any party unless a compelling reason is provided when cost claims are filed.

Being eligible to apply for recovery of costs is not a guarantee of recovery of any costs claimed. Cost awards are made by way of OEB order at the end of a hearing.

At this time the OEB is making provision for the filing of interrogatories, interrogatory responses, and submissions. Further procedural orders may be issued by the OEB.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. Environmental Defence and OEB staff shall request any relevant information and documentation from Hydro One that is in addition to the evidence already filed, by written interrogatories filed with the OEB and served on Hydro One by **February 22, 2024**.
2. Hydro One shall file with the OEB and send to Environmental Defence complete written responses to the interrogatories by **March 7, 2024**.
3. Any written submissions by Environmental Defence and OEB staff shall be filed with the OEB and served on Hydro One by **March 21, 2024**.
4. Any reply submissions by Hydro One shall be filed with the OEB by **April 4, 2024**.

Parties are responsible for ensuring that any documents they file with the OEB, such as applicant and intervenor evidence, interrogatories and responses to interrogatories or any other type of document, **do not include personal information** (as that phrase is defined in the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*), unless filed in accordance with rule 9A of the OEB's [Rules of Practice and Procedure](#).

Please quote file number, **EB-2023-0197** for all materials filed and submit them in searchable/unrestricted PDF format with a digital signature through the [OEB's online filing portal](#).

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All communications should be directed to the attention of the Registrar and be received by end of business, 4:45 p.m., on the required date.

With respect to distribution lists for all electronic correspondence and materials related to this proceeding, parties must include the Case Manager, Abla Nur at Abla.Nur@oeb.ca and OEB Counsel, Lawren Murray at Lawren.Murray@oeb.ca.

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DATED at Toronto, **February 7, 2024**

ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD

By delegation, before: Nancy Marconi

Nancy Marconi
Registrar

SCHEDULE A
LIST OF APPLICANT AND INTERVENORS
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