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Mr. Robert Brewer President PUC (Transmission) LP 500 Second Line East Sault Ste. Marie, ON P6A 6P2

Dear Mr. Brewer:

PUC Transmission LP – New Transmission Station ("the project") Notification of Addendum of Conditional Approval to Connection Proposal CAA ID Number: 2021-704

Thank you for the updated information regarding the proposed project.

From the new information provided, we have concluded that the proposed changes to your project will not result in a material adverse impact on the reliability of the integrated power system.

The IESO is therefore pleased to grant **conditional approval** as detailed in the attached addendum to the System Impact Assessment (SIA) report. Please note that any further material change to your proposed connection, or changes to the information available to or system assumptions made by the IESO at the time the assessment for the project was carried out may require re-assessment by the IESO and may result in a nullification of this conditional approval.

The likelihood of your project being re-assessed due to changes in the system assumptions made by the IESO will be reduced once your project attains the "committed" status as per Section 3.3 of Market Manual 1.4: Connection Assessment and Approval (formerly Market Manual 2.10). Therefore, if your project is not "committed" at this point, you are reminded of your obligation to provide updates and notifications in order for the IESO to give your project this classification. Meanwhile, in the event you are required to make a project related decision and are concerned about the validity of the Notification of Conditional Approval of this project and the connection requirements presented in the System Impact Assessment, please contact us at connection.assessments@ieso.ca.

In addition, please note that this conditional approval does not in any way constitute an endorsement of the proposed connection, with or without the proposed changes, for the purposes of obtaining a contract with the IESO for the procurement of supply, generation, demand response, demand management or ancillary services.

You may now initiate the IESO's **Market Registration** process. To do so please contact Market Registration at <u>market.registration@ieso.ca</u> at least eight months prior to your expected energization date. The addendum to the SIA report, attached hereto, details the

All information submitted in this process will be used by the IESO solely in support of its obligations under the *Electricity Act, 1998*, the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, the *Market Rules* and associated polices, standards and procedures and in accordance with its licence. All information submitted will be assigned the appropriate confidentiality level upon receipt.

requirements that your company must fulfill during this process, including demonstrating that the facility *as installed* will not be materially different from the facility *as approved* by the IESO.

Your conditional right to connect is balanced by an obligation to demonstrate installed equipment meets performance requirements. During the **Market Registration** process, you shall be required to demonstrate this obligation has been fulfilled in accordance with <u>Market Manual 1.6</u>: <u>Performance Validation</u> (formerly Market Manual 2.20).

When your company has successfully completed the IESO's **Market Registration** process, the IESO will provide you with a **final** approval, in the form of a Registration Approval Notification (RAN) document, thereby confirming that the facility is fully authorized to connect to the IESO-controlled grid.

For further information, please contact me.

Yours truly,

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