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Ms. Nancy Marconi, Registrar
Ontario Energy Board
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**Re: Newmarket-Tay Power Distribution Ltd.
2025 IRM Draft Rate Order
OEB File No: EB-2024-0042**

Dear Ms. Marconi,

The Ontario Energy Board issued a draft decision and rate order for Newmarket-Tay Power Distribution Ltd. (NT Power) in the above-referenced proceeding on November 29, 2024. NT Power has reviewed the draft decision and rate order and has the following comments:

- 1) The draft decision refers to NT Power as “Newmarket-Tay Power”. NT Power respectfully requests that “NT Power” be used instead as the short-form reference, as NT Power is the name that customers are strongly familiar with (billing documents, communications, all branding materials, etc.).
- 2) The draft decision refers to the “Newmarket-Tay Power Main Rate Zone”. As noted on page 6 of the Manager’s Summary in the pre-filed application and as reflected in the draft tariff of the draft rate order, NT Power revised the name of the “Newmarket-Tay Power Main Rate Zone” to “Newmarket-Tay Rate Zone” for greater clarity. NT Power does not differentiate either of the rate zones to be the “main” rate zone, as NT Power operates as one consolidated utility. NT Power requests that the decision refer to the “Newmarket-Tay Rate Zone” throughout.
- 3) On page 2 of the draft decision, it states that NT Power serves approximately 47,000 customers in the Newmarket-Tay Rate Zone and approximately 9,800 customers in the Midland Rate Zone. NT Power assumes that this customer count includes connections for certain rate classes (other than residential and commercial). NT Power suggests updating this figure in the decision. As noted on page 1 of the Manager’s Summary in the pre-filed evidence, NT Power stated that it serves approximately 45,000 customers (37,500 in the Newmarket-Tay Rate Zone and 7,500 in the Midland Rate Zone).

- 4) On page 14 of the draft decision, it states that NT Power was approved for a prospective LRAM-eligible amount of \$207,040 in 2024 dollars in the Newmarket-Tay Rate Zone and \$13,267 for the Midland Rate Zone in 2024 dollars. NT Power notes that these amounts were in 2022 dollars.

NT Power thanks the OEB for the opportunity to review the draft and offer the above comments.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,



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