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Ontario Energy Board
2300 Yonge Street, 27th floor
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Re: Regional and Bulk Electricity System Planning Review (EB-2025-0248) – Toronto Hydro-Electric System Limited Request to Participate in Advisory Group

On August 29, 2025 the OEB invited stakeholders to join an advisory group in support of its review of the regional and bulk planning process. The review is in direct response to the Minister of Energy and Mines' Integrated Energy Plan Directive, which requires the OEB to undertake a review of the regional and bulk electricity system planning processes and recommend enhancements that will make the processes more efficient, flexible, and responsive. The OEB intends the advisory group members to share their experience and provide insights to help shape the recommendations in the OEB's report to the Minister.

By way of this letter, Toronto Hydro nominates Mr. Kirk Huntley, Director of Investment Planning, as its representative to the OEB's advisory group. Mr. Huntley has extensive operational experience and expertise in the regional planning process, having participated in the OEB's Regional Planning Process Advisory Working Group ("RPPAG") in 2020 as a utility representative. He has also been the lead utility representative for the third cycle of Regional Planning since 2022 and the lead utility representative for the IESO 2025 Toronto Region IRRP technical working group. In his current role as Director of Investment Planning, Mr. Huntley is directly responsible for the Toronto Hydro's distribution system capital plan including non-wires, load, and generation capacity planning over the short and long term and also has broad experience in areas of substation and distribution system planning and design. Mr. Huntley holds a Bachelor's Degree in Engineering, and is a registered Professional Engineer in Ontario. Given his roles and experience, Toronto Hydro expects that Mr. Huntley will be able to assist the OEB with a broad range of issues that may arise during the course of this initiative.

Ms. Huntley's contact details are provided below, but for administrative reasons please continue to include regulatoryaffairs@torontohydro.com on all future correspondence:

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Toronto Hydro is one of Ontario's largest electricity distribution companies, with a unique distribution grid situated in a dense urban environment, supplied by a large number of interconnections with the transmission network, and serving over 790,000 customers and delivering approximately 18 per cent of the electricity consumed in Ontario. Toronto Hydro plays a critical role in the Regional Planning Process, as it represents one of the largest load centres in Ontario with unique reliability and infrastructure needs. The utility also provides a crucial input to the development of the Toronto Region peak demand forecast. With growth in peak demand set to increase significantly over the coming decades, effective planning will require coordination between the IESO, Toronto Hydro and Hydro One, a key outcome of the Regional Planning Process. Accordingly, Toronto Hydro has a strong interest in participating on the OEB's advisory group.

Toronto Hydro appreciates the OEB's consideration of its nomination and looks forward to working with stakeholders in reviewing the regional and bulk electricity system planning processes to offer improved efficiency, flexibility and responsiveness.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Andrew J. Sasso".

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