October 6, 2025

Ritchie Murray Registrar Ontario Energy Board 2300 Yonge Street P.O. Box 2319 Toronto, Ontario M4P 1E4

Dear Mr. Murray:

Re: EB-2025-0030 - Application by Hydro One Networks Inc. – Distribution Rates 2026 – DVAs and Z-Factor Costs

I am a consultant to the Consumers Council of Canada (CCC). I have been instructed by my client to intervene in the proceeding to consider the Application to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) by Hydro One Networks Inc. (HON) for approval of its distribution rates effective January 1, 2026. CCC is a public-interest entity which represents the interests of residential consumers in Ontario. The OEB's order in this proceeding will ultimately impact the rates that residential consumers pay for the delivery of electricity.

On November 14, 2024 the Council filed with the Board, pursuant to Rule 22.03 of the Ontario Energy Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure, a document describing CCC, its mandate and objectives, membership, the constituency represented, and the types of activities CCC carries out. In addition, we provided a list of the individuals authorized to represent CCC in Board proceedings.

The nature and scope of the Council's intended participation in the proceeding will be the following:

- To review the Applicant's evidence, and assess its proposals regarding the balances and disposition of the deferral and variance accounts, the earnings sharing balance and the Z-factor request and any other proposals pursuant to the Application that may impact residential consumers; and
- 2. To participate in the various aspects of the proceeding.

The Council intends to ask for an order of costs in this proceeding. The Council has participated in many electricity proceedings over a long period of time. In all of those proceedings the Council has been recognized as being eligible for an award of costs. In the absence of an award of costs the Council would be unable to participate in this proceeding.

Copies of all correspondence related to this proceeding and copies of the Applicant's evidence should be sent to:

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Please let us know if any further information from CCC is required at this time.

Yours truly,

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CC: HON Inc., Regulatory Affairs