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To: Ontario Energy Board

Re: Support for Wataynikaneyap Power LP Multi-Year Transmission Rate Application (EB-2026-0152)

Dear Members of the Ontario Energy Board,

On behalf of the Chief and Council of Sachigo Lake First Nation, we are pleased to express our full support for Wataynikaneyap Power LP's multi-year transmission rate application (File No. EB-2026-0152), requesting approval of its 2027–2031 transmission rates and other associated charges, effective January 1, 2027.

Wataynikaneyap Power LP's majority owner is First Nation LP, a partnership of 24 First Nations that includes Sachigo Lake First Nation. Wataynikaneyap Power's ability to receive an appropriate level of transmission rate revenue is a critical component of First Nation LP's financing arrangements and supports its equity contributions to the transmission system. The ownership interest held by First Nation LP will provide significant long-term economic benefits for participating First Nations while also supporting reliable electricity infrastructure for Ontario ratepayers.

We recognize and appreciate the historical and ongoing engagement efforts undertaken by Wataynikaneyap Power with First Nations, communities, land users, and land keepers throughout the planning, construction, and operation of the transmission system. Meaningful Indigenous participation and engagement remain essential to the long-term success of this project, and we commend Wataynikaneyap Power for making these priorities central to its work.

Accordingly, we respectfully request that the Ontario Energy Board give due consideration to these important factors when reviewing the application. Approval of the proposed transmission rates will help ensure the continued financial stability of Wataynikaneyap Power, support Indigenous ownership and participation, and contribute to lasting social and economic benefits for participating First Nations.

Thank you for your consideration of our support.

Sincerely,

Chief Robert Beardy

Councillor Claude Mckay

Councillor N. Shaun Tait

