Date: November 10, 2026

To: The Ontario Energy Board
Regarding File Number: EB-2026-0164 (Hydro One Networks Inc. and Hydro One Sault Ste. Marie LP Joint Rate Application)

SUBJECT: LETTER OF DISAPPROVAL REGARDING PROPOSED 2028–2032 RATE INCREASES

To the Board Members of the Ontario Energy Board,

I am writing as an Ontario electricity consumer to formally register my strong disapproval regarding the five-year joint rate application submitted by Hydro One Networks Inc. and Hydro One Sault Ste. Marie LP (File No. EB-2026-0164).

The proposed cumulative increases to both transmission and distribution rates between 2028 and 2032 will place an unfair financial burden on everyday households. Electricity is a vital public utility, not a luxury. Families and individuals are already managing high costs of living, and compounding annual rate increases will make monthly delivery charges increasingly unaffordable.

While I understand that grid maintenance and infrastructure upgrades require funding, Hydro One must find internal operational efficiencies rather than continually passing rising costs directly onto consumers.

I urge the Ontario Energy Board to rigorously scrutinize Hydro One's financial projections, reject the proposed multi-year rate hikes, and prioritize the financial well-being of Ontario ratepayers.

Thank you for ensuring that consumer feedback is considered on the public record for this hearing.

Sincerely,

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