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-- Name --
Peter Hamilton

-- Do you reside in the impacted service area? --
Yes

-- Comments --
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November 11, 2026

Ontario Energy Board
Re: Letter of Comment — File EB-2026-0164 — Hydro One Networks Inc. and Hydro One Sault Ste. Marie LP application for a five-year rate plan, January 1, 2028 to December 31, 2032

Dear Board Members,

I am a Hydro One residential customer in Orléans, on the Residential – Urban Density rate class. I am writing about the rate increases Hydro One has applied for in this proceeding.

My most recent bill was $123.72 for 612 kWh (September 10 – October 9, 2026); the bill before that was $156.67 for 822 kWh. I have already taken steps to manage my costs, including switching from time-of-use to tiered pricing.

As filed, the application would add about $11.50 a month for a typical urban-density customer in 2028, rising to roughly $32 a month more by 2032. That is a material increase for a household budget, and it comes on top of the Ontario Electricity Rebate falling from 23.5% to 15.7% on November 1, 2026, which already pushes bills up for the same usage.

I ask the Board to scrutinize whether increases of this size, over this period, are fully justified, and to consider phasing or moderating them where the evidence allows. Customers should not be asked to absorb the full amount requested if a smaller increase would meet the need.

Thank you for considering this comment.

Sincerely,
Peter Hamilton

-- Was AI used for the letter of comment? --
Yes