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Attention: Board Secretary

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Gentlemen,

In response to the notice published in the Thursday December 18th, 2008 edition of our local newspaper, the St Thomas Times-Journal, I wish to present this letter of comment regarding the said electricity distribution rate increase, by Hydro One Networks Inc.

It is my considered opinion that in light of the hard financial times being experienced by the residents of St Thomas that an increase at this time is indeed ill conceived. According to a recent CTV programme, W5, there are 2000 + newly un-employed workers in our little city of St Thomas. The newly un-employed and those on fixed incomes like myself agree this increase will put unfair financial pressure on a great number of people who simply trying to make ends meet and who cannot afford any increases.

My own personal situation is of one living in an entirely electric home, which makes it doubly unpalatable. Therefore, please make public record of this letter as one who is adamantly opposed to such an increase at this time.

I look forward to receiving whatever communication is scheduled in follow up to this Letter of Comment.

Thank you very much for your kind consideration of this submission

Sincerely Yours,

Helene Huraj