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To whom it concerns,

In June of 2018, Menzie Almonte Inc. made a request to Ottawa River Power Corporation (ORPC) to consider amending their service area to include the next phases of our growing Mill Run community in Almonte. We believed this was a logical decision considering ORPC currently services Phases 1 and 2 of Mill Run along with the rest of Almonte's urban area. The only exception, Phase 3 of Mill Run is serviced by Hydro One.

ORPC expressed interest in expanding their service area and subsequently submitted a Service Area Amendment (SAA) application, EB-2018-0283 to the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) in October of 2018. And while this was underway, we moved forward with the design and approvals of our next phase, Phase 4.

We are very close to receiving engineering approval for Phase 4 and hope to construct and register this subdivision with the delivery of serviced lots to our builder by June of 2019. The only missing piece that prevents us from meeting this schedule is a complete composite utility plan (CUP). We have been unable to start the CUP process without an electrical design. And unfortunately, Hydro One nor ORPC are able to provide our consultants with a complete electrical design until the SAA application is completed, reviewed and the OEB has made a decision.

It is now February of 2019 and we have seen very little progress with the SAA application and it's unclear how long this process will take. What is very clear is that the delivery of Phase 4 will be impacted if the SAA review continues any further.

We must, respectfully and urgently request ORPC to withdraw their application to amend their service area. The economic impact on our business and on the delivery of homes to our Builder's purchasers will be significant if this review continues. At this time, our preference is to move forward with Hydro One as the electrical service provider for Phase 4 and all future phases of Mill Run.

With respect,

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cc: Novatech, Municipality of Mississippi Mills, The Ontario Energy Board