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RE: ERO Posting 019-3038

Dear Mr. Adkar:

Hydro One Networks Inc. ("Hydro One") is Canada's largest electricity transmission and distribution service provider. Our values guide us to work relentlessly to serve homes, businesses and communities across Ontario. We operate 98 per cent of Ontario's transmission grid providing power to 42 local distribution companies. Through our local distribution business, we directly serve 1.4 million residential and business customers. We also directly serve 88 Indigenous communities and have transmission assets on 23 First Nations reserves. In 2019, Hydro One invested approximately \$1.7 billion in its transmission and distribution networks to build and maintain a safe and reliable electricity system for Ontario's consumers, which is essential to supporting strong and successful communities.

Hydro One supports the removal of Section 92 requirements from transmission lines funded by generator and industrial customers. Hydro One agrees with the Ministry's assessment that the application of Section 92 in these identified cases is extraneous to the purpose of Section 92, which is to protect ratepayers.

Hydro One is encouraged by the government's willingness to simplify the regulatory approval processes and specifically, Section 92 applications. As the regulatory landscape moves toward efficiency gains, Hydro One is enthusiastic to engage in further discussion to continue to update the transmission regulatory framework to drive efficiencies and reliability for the communities and customers we serve, while protecting ratepayers.

Best Regards,

Daniel Levitan