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RE: ERO Posting 019-4009

To whom it may concern:

Hydro One is pleased to see draft amendments on the ERO that exempt electricity transmission projects from the requirement to obtain Section 92 approval from the Ontario Energy Board. We welcome the opportunity to respond to this posting, which supports efficiencies and reliability for the communities and customers we serve, while protecting ratepayers.

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 application.

While the actual monetary impact of removing section 92 requirements from transmission lines is low, Hydro One welcomes this change as it will result in removing redundancies in the application process and result in internal efficiencies.

Once again, thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed draft amendments. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

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