

InnPower and Hydro One are working together to ensure a safe and reliable supply of power in your community and prepare for a clean energy future.

# **Notice of Commencement**

July 2023

Hydro One and InnPower are committed to energizing homes and businesses in the Town of Innisfil and parts of the City of Barrie. With electricity demand growing in your community we want to ensure you have power where and when it is needed. InnPower and Hydro One are working together to ensure a safe and reliable supply of power and have identified a new Municipal Transformer Station (MTS) is required to meet future growth.

Through its transmission network, Hydro One provides safe and reliable power to InnPower. In order to power the new MTS, Hydro One will need to connect the new station to the electrical transmission system. To facilitate the new connection, Hydro One is proposing to replace approximately 6km of an existing 115kV transmission line with a new 230kV transmission line. The new line will be built with taller electrical infrastructure on the existing corridor between Hydro One's Barrie Transformer Station and the proposed new InnPower MTS. The proposed 230kV MTS would be on InnPower property, located north of Saunders Road and Lockhart Road in Barrie. Please see reverse side for map.

Minimizing the effects of our projects and operations on the environment is important to us. As such, InnPower and Hydro One are beginning a joint Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed InnPower MTS and Hydro One's associated transmission line connection.

#### Our planning process

The planning of this project will follow the "Class EA for Minor Transmission Facilities (2022)", established in accordance with Ontario's *Environmental Assessment Act*. This planning process applies to transmission projects that are carried out routinely and have predictable environmental effects that can be readily managed. Following the Class EA, this project will also require Ontario Energy Board (OEB) approval to construct the line under Section 92 of the OEB Act. Construction could begin as early as 2025 to meet InnPower's required connection date of 2027/2028.

#### We want to hear from you

Feedback from Indigenous communities, residents, property owners, government officials and agencies, interest groups and businesses will inform all aspects of the Class EA and planning process. We invite you to attend our upcoming Community Open House to learn more about the project details, meet the InnPower and Hydro One team, and share your feedback. New InnPower Municipal Transformer Station & Hydro One 230kV Line

### **Please Join Us:**

**Community Open House** Allandale Recreation Centre 190 Bayview Drive Barrie, ON L4N 4Y8 July 26, 2023 5 pm to 8 pm

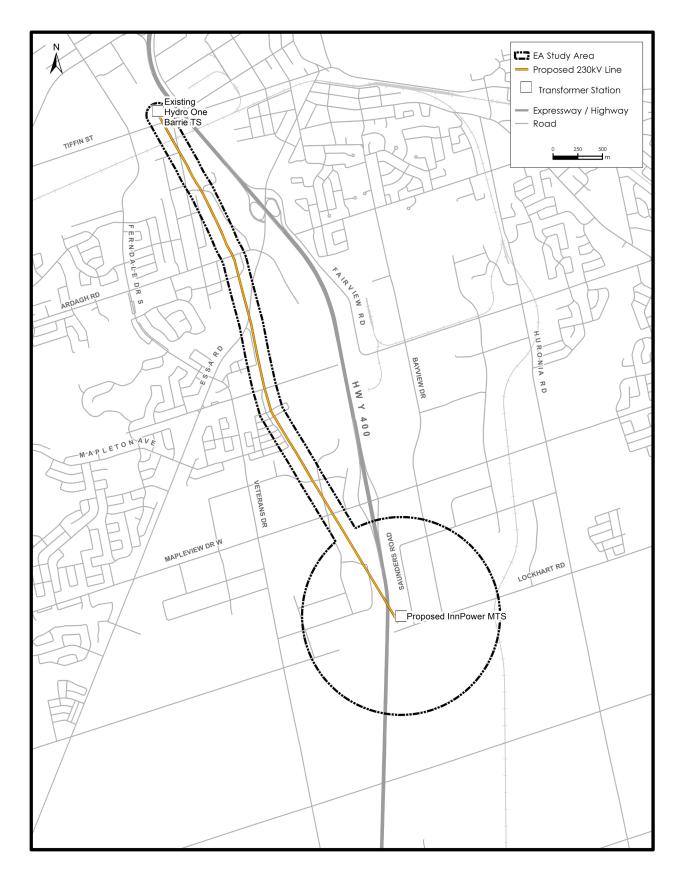
## We're here to help

For more information, to sign up for the project contact list, or to ask questions, please contact Hydro One:

# 1.877.345.6799



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