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January 31, 2020

Mayor Georges Bilodeau
Municipality of Huron Shores
7 Bridge Street, PO Box 460
Iron Bridge, ON P0R 1H0

Re: Replacement of Wood Pole Transmission Structures located in the Municipality of Huron Shores

Dear Mayor Bilodeau:

This letter is to inform you that Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One) is initiating a Class Environmental Assessment (EA) to refurbish approximately 2 structures along the existing 115 kilovolt (kV) transmission line on Circuit T1B in the Municipality of Huron Shores. The map provided shows an overview of the entire project area.

This project has been identified for replacement through Hydro One's annual wood pole testing program, as some of the wood poles have reached their end-of-life. Replacing damaged and aging structures will ensure the continued reliability and integrity of the transmission line and electricity supply to the areas. We anticipate that this work would be carried out within the existing transmission corridors, with no new corridors being required. Where possible, access to the transmission structures would be gained using existing roads and trails. There would be very little noticeable difference in the transmission line after the project has been completed.

This type of project is considered routine maintenance work with relatively minor effects and are subject to the Class Environmental Assessment for Minor Transmission Facilities (Hydro One, 2016), in accordance with the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act*. The Class EA is a streamlined planning process that has proven effective in ensuring that minor transmission projects that have a predictable range of effects have feasible environmental mitigation and/or protection measures in place. The Class EA process contains screening provisions that may apply to this project.

Contingent on the outcome of the Class EA, the replacement of wood poles may begin as early as January 2020 and be completed by the end of 2020.

As per the request of the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, information regarding the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* is included and can be viewed below.

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If you have any questions, or would like additional information regarding this project, please feel free to contact me at (416) 345-6799, or Community.Relations@HydroOne.com. Information regarding this project will also be available on our project website at www.hydroone.com/woodpoles. Your input for this project is valued and would be appreciated by March 2, 2020.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Eryn Brown".

Eryn Brown
Communication Services Officer
Community Relations
Hydro One Networks Inc.

Enclosed (1)

CC: Deborah Tonelli, Clerk/Administrator – Municipality of Huron Shores

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- LEGEND**
- Wood Pole Replacement (Approximate Work Area)
 - Existing Station or Junction
 - 115 kV Transmission Line (Circuit T1B)
 - 115 kV Transmission Line
 - Municipal Boundary
 - Water



PROJECT
2020 WOOD POLE REPLACEMENT PROJECT - CIRCUIT T1B

TITLE
GENERAL AREA OVERVIEW MAP

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