



# 4Q20 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Year End

(millions of dollars, except EPS)	2020	2019	% Change	2020	2019	% Change	
Revenue							
Transmission	398	407	(2.2%)	1,740	1,652	5.3%	
Distribution	1,457	1,298	12.2%	5,507	4,788	15.0%	
Distribution (Net of Purchased Power)	411	384	7.0%	1,653	1,677	(1.4%)	
Other	12	10	20.0%	43	40	7.5%	
Consolidated	1,867	1,715	8.9%	7,290	6,480	12.5%	
Consolidated (Net of Purchased Power)	821	801	2.5%	3,436	3,369	2.0%	
OM&A Costs	273	239	14.2%	1,070	1,181	(9.4%)	
Earnings Before Financing Charges and Income Taxes (EBIT	)						
Transmission	200	228	(12.3%)	890	835	6.6%	
Distribution	114	117	(2.6%)	617	658	(6.2%)	
Other	(5)	(9)	44.4%	(25)	(183)	86.3%	
Consolidated	309	336	(8.0%)	1,482	1,310	13.1%	
Net Income (Loss) <sup>1</sup>	161	211	(23.7%)	1,770	778	127.5%	
Adjusted Net Income (Loss) <sup>1,2</sup>	161	211	(23.7%)	903	918	(1.6%)	
Basic EPS	\$0.27	\$0.35	(22.9%)	\$2.96	\$1.30	127.7%	
Basic Adjusted EPS <sup>1</sup>	\$0.27	\$0.35	(22.9%)	\$1.51	\$1.54	(1.9%)	
Capital Investments	577	562	2.7%	1,878	1,667	12.7%	
Assets Placed In Service							
Transmission	565	573	(1.4%)	948	1,082	(12.4%)	
Distribution	308	271	13.7%	684	602	13.6%	
Other	5	5	0.0%	7	19	(63.2%)	
Total assets placed in-service	878	849	3.4%	1,639	1,703	(3.8%)	

Financial Statements reported under U.S. GAAP

<sup>(1)</sup> Net Income is attributable to common shareholders and is after non-controlling interest, dividends to preferred shareholders,

<sup>(2)</sup> Adjusted Net Income excludes items related to the Avista Corporation acquisition and impacts related to the ODC Decision and the OEB's DTA Decision on Hydro One Networks' distribution and transmission businesses.

Regulated Capital Investments (\$M)

Development

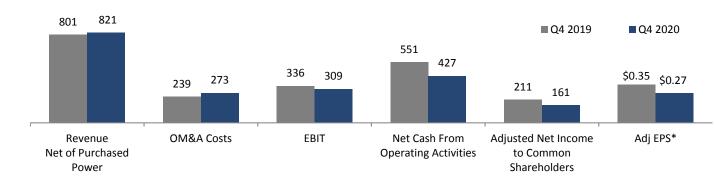
Sustaining



## **4Q20 FINANCIAL SUMMARY**

Hydro One's focus on customer advocacy, partnership, and long-term financial stability results in positive performance

#### Financial Highlights (\$M) – 4Q20 Year over Year Comparison



#### Assets Placed in Service (\$M) Transmission Distribution 16.1% 15.7% 3.4% 47 5 5 53 48 308 271 74 47 97 67 240 573 565 209 99 95 4Q19 4Q20 4Q19 4Q20 4Q19 4Q20

Other

### **Selected Financial Highlights:**

The year-over-year decrease of \$9 million or 2.2% in quarterly transmission revenues was primarily due to the following:

- Lower peak demand driven by unfavourable weather in the fourth quarter of 2020, partially offset by
- The OEB's decision on 2020 rates, including the recovery of certain OPEB costs through OM&A that were previously capitalized and recovered in rates, therefore net income neutral, and a deferred regulatory adjustment related to asset removal costs in 2020.

The year-over-year increase of \$27 million or 7.0% in guarterly distribution revenues, net of purchased power, was primarily due to the following:

- The OEB's decision on 2020 rates.
- Higher revenues related to the Peterborough Distribution and Orillia Power acquisitions which closed during the third quarter of 2020, and a lower deferred regulatory adjustment related to the Earnings Sharing Mechanism in 2020.

The year-over-year increase of \$14 million or 23.7% in quarterly transmission OM&A costs was primarily due to the following:

- Lower insurance proceeds received in 2020,
- Additional OPEB costs that are recognized in OM&A following the 2020-2022 OEB transmission decision and recovered in rates, therefore net income neutral, and costs related to COVID-19.

The year-over-year increase of \$23 million or 14.2% in quarterly distribution OM&A costs was primarily due to the following:

Costs related to COVID-19, consisting primarily of the recognition of the bad debt provision following the issuance of the OEB staff proposal in December 2020, and direct expenses, as well as higher corporate support costs.

Income tax expense for the fourth quarter of 2020 increased by \$25 million compared to the same period in 2019. This resulted in a realized effective tax rate (ETR) of approximately 14.2% in the fourth quarter of 2020, compared to approximately 0.9% in the fourth quarter of the prior year.

Hydro One makes capital investments to maintain the safety, reliability and integrity of its transmission and distribution system assets and to provide for the ongoing growth and modernization required to meet the expanding and evolving needs of its customers and the electricity market.

- The Company made capital investments of \$577 million during the fourth quarter of 2020, and placed \$878 million of new assets in-service.
- 1) OPEB: Other post-employment benefit

Distribution

Other

Transmission

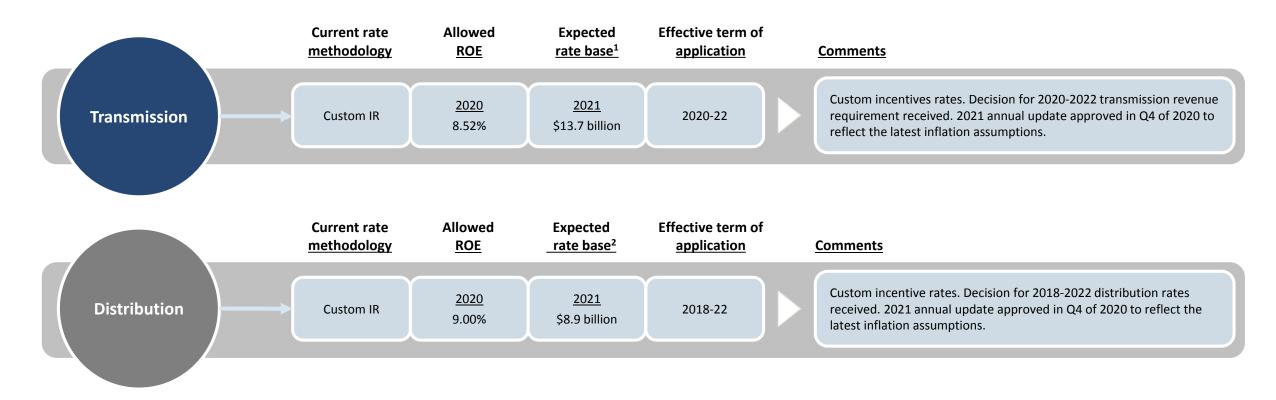
<sup>\*</sup> Adjusted Net Income excludes items related to the Avista Corporation acquisition and impacts related to the ODC Decision and the OEB's DTA Decision on Hydro One Networks' distribution and transmission businesses



# CONSTRUCTIVE RATE REGULATOR (OEB)

Consistent, independent regulator with a transparent rate-setting process

- Transmission and Distribution businesses rate-regulated by the Ontario Energy Board (OEB)
- Deemed debt / equity ratio of 60% / 40% for both transmission and distribution segments
- Reduced regulatory lag through forward-looking test years, revenue decoupling and adjustment mechanisms
- Received a decision for distribution rates under the OEB's Custom Incentive Rate Making model on March 7, 2019 for 2018 2022 (5-year term)
- Received a decision on transmission revenue requirement under the OEB's Custom Incentive Rate Making model on April 23, 2020, for 2020 2022 (3-year term)



<sup>(1)</sup> Transmission rate base includes 100% of B2M LP, Niagara Reinforcement Limited Partnership and Hydro One Sault Ste. Marie Limited Partnership.

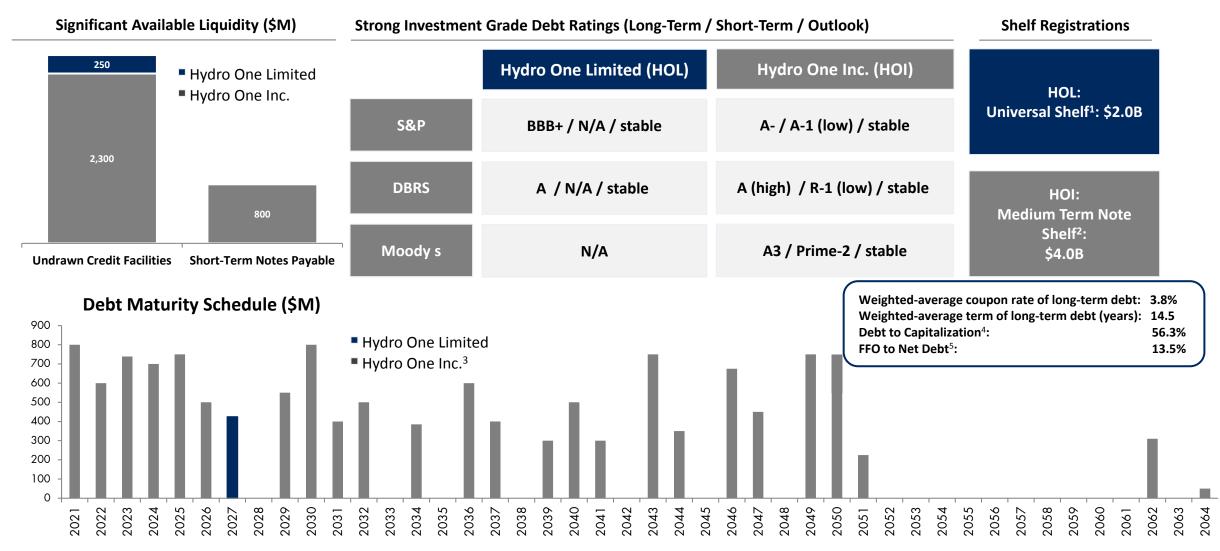
<sup>(2)</sup> Distribution Rate Base includes recent LDC acquisitions (Peterborough Distribution Inc., Orillia Power Distribution Corporation) and Hydro One Remote Communities



## STRONG BALANCE SHEET AND LIQUIDITY

(as at December 31, 2020)

Investment grade balance sheet with one of lowest debt costs in utility sector



<sup>[1]</sup> In August 2020, HOL filed a Universal Base Shelf Prospectus with securities regulatory authorities in Canada, which allows it to offer, from time to time in one or more public offerings, up to \$2.0 billion of debt, equity or other securities, or any combination thereof, during the 25-month period ending on September 20, 2022. At December 31, 2020, \$1.575 billion remained available for issuance under the Universal Base Shelf Prospectus.

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<sup>(2)</sup> In April 2020, HOI filed a Medium Term Note (MTN) Program prospectus, which has a maximum authorized principal amount of notes issuable of \$4.0 billion until May 2022. At December 31, 2020, \$2.8 billion remained available for issuance under the MTN Program prospectus.

<sup>(3)</sup> Includes long-term debt of Hydro One Sault Ste. Marie LP, a subsidiary of Hydro One Inc., in the principal amount of \$138 million due in 2023.

<sup>(4)</sup> Debt to capitalization ratio is a non-GAAP measure and has been calculated as total debt (including total long-term debt, and short-term borrowings, net of cash and cash equivalents) divided by total debt plus total shareholders' equity, but excluding any amounts related to noncontrolling interest. Management believes that the debt to capitalization ratio is helpful as a measure of the proportion of debt in the Company's capital structure.

<sup>(5)</sup> FFO to Net Debt for the last twelve months ending December 31, 2020.



## **COMMON SHARE DIVIDENDS**

Quarterly dividend declared at \$0.2536 per common share

Dividend Statistics	
Yield <sup>1</sup>	3.5%
Annualized Dividend <sup>2,3</sup>	\$1.0144 / share

### **Expected Quarterly Dividend Dates<sup>3</sup>**

Declaration Date	Record Date	Payment Date
February 23, 2021	March 17, 2021	March 31, 2021
May 6, 2021	June 9, 2021	June 30, 2021
August 9, 2021	September 8, 2021	September 30, 2021
November 8, 2021	December 8, 2021	December 31, 2021

### **Key Points**

- Quarterly dividend declared at \$0.2536 per common share (\$1.0144 annualized)
- Targeted dividend payout ratio remains at 70% 80% of net income
- Attractive and growing dividend supported by stable, regulated cash flows and planned rate base growth
- No equity issuance anticipated to fund planned five year capital investment program
- Non-dilutive dividend reinvestment plan (DRIP) was implemented post IPO (shares purchased on open market, not issued from treasury)

<sup>(1)</sup> Based on closing share price on December 31st, 2020

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<sup>(2)</sup> Unless indicated otherwise, all common share dividends are designated as "eligible" dividends for the purpose of the Income Tax Act (Canada) (3) All dividend declarations and related dates are subject to Board approval.



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Hydro One prepares and presents its financial statements in accordance with U.S. GAAP. "Funds from Operations" or "FFO", "Adjusted Net Income", "Revenue Net of Purchased Power", "EBIT", "Debt to Capitalization", and "Adjusted Earnings Per Share" are not recognized measures under U.S. GAAP and do not have standardized meanings prescribed by U.S. GAAP. These are therefore unlikely to be comparable to similar measures presented by other companies. "Funds from Operations" or "FFO" is defined as net cash from operating activities, adjusted for the following: (i) changes in non-cash balances related to operations, (ii) dividends paid on preferred shares, and (iii) non-controlling interest distributions. "FFO to Net Debt" is the rolling twelve month FFO divided by Total debt less cash. In addition, certain of these measures are also defined in Hydro One Limited's filings with the securities regulatory authorities in Canada which are available under its profile on SEDAR at www.sedar.com. Management believes these measures are useful for evaluating the performance of different aspects of Hydro One's business but may not be appropriate for other purposes.