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Dear Mr. Yates:

***Notification of Approval of Connection Proposal  
Ottawa Albion TS: Replace Existing 230kV Rod Gaps and 230kV Disconnect Switches Associated  
with Transformers T1 and T2***

***CAA ID Number: 2002 – EX099 and 2002 – EX114***

The IMO has completed a review of your application to replace the existing 230kV rod gaps and the 230kV 1200A disconnect switches associated with the two 225-14-14kV step down transformers T1 and T2 with metal oxide gapless surge arresters and new 230kV 1200A switches with 44kA short circuit rating. The proposal will improve the surge protection of the transformers resulting in better customer supply reliability.

We have concluded that the proposal would have no adverse impact on the IMO-controlled grid and that a formal Connection Assessment would not be necessary. The IMO is therefore pleased to grant approval to complete the proposed installation. However, it should be noted that although the new 230kV switches would be adequate for the present maximum fault level at the station, they do not meet the Transmission System Code requirement that 230kV equipment should be capable of withstanding a maximum fault current of 63kA. Should a third party initiate a development that increases the fault level at Ottawa Albion TS beyond 44kA, Hydro One Networks Inc. might have to bear the cost of replacing the switches.

Registration of the proposed changes to the existing facilities will need to be completed through the IMO's 'Facilities Registration' process.

For further information, please contact the undersigned.

Yours truly,

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