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The Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO)
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RE: Sudbury/Algoma Regional Electricity Planning

To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of the City of Greater Sudbury, I am pleased to express my strong support for the continuation of the Independent Electricity System Operator's Regional Planning process specifically for the Sudbury/Algoma Region.

Greater Sudbury is experiencing significant population and economic growth and is well positioned to play an increasingly important role in Ontario's economy. As the capital of Northern Ontario, our community continues to attract investment across mining, critical minerals, advanced manufacturing, health care, education, and emerging industries. Alongside this, strong residential development and infrastructure investment are further fueling our momentum.

I encourage the IESO to ensure that future electricity demand forecasts reflect not only historical demand, but also the significant growth anticipated across Greater Sudbury and Northern Ontario during the development of the long-term plans for the region.

Reliable electricity infrastructure is crucial to supporting economic development. Businesses considering investments in Greater Sudbury must have confidence that sufficient electricity capacity is and will be available to support their operations. Without adequate capacity, the City risks missing opportunities for job creation, housing, industrial expansion, and broader economic growth. Ensuring reliable infrastructure will help unlock the region's full economic potential.

Greater Sudbury has worked hard to build the momentum we are experiencing today. Recent investments, continued housing growth, and major infrastructure projects demonstrate that our community is preparing for the future. The IESO must ensure the electricity system evolves alongside our growth, so that capacity does not become a barrier to investment and prosperity.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide input into this important planning process. The City of Greater Sudbury looks forward to continuing to work with the IESO, Hydro One, Greater Sudbury Utilities, and our regional partners as planning progresses.

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