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By email and regular mail

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**RE: Request for Notices of Development Applications in the GTA West Corridor
and Transmission Corridor Identification Study Areas**

We are writing to thank you for your cooperation in protecting the Study Area for the Northwest Greater Toronto Area Corridor Identification Study (NW GTA Study). For your information, the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) and the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) have announced that they will not be proceeding with the NW GTA Study.

Effective June 19, 2019, MTO has announced that it has resumed the Greater Toronto Area West Environmental Assessment (GTA West EA). The Route Planning Study Area and the Focused Analysis Area (FAA) are consistent with the GTA West EA at the time of suspension in 2015. While MTO requires notices for planning applications that fall within the Study Area, MTO's interest will be focused on applications within the FAA. A map of the Study Area and FAA is attached for your reference as Figure 1 and further information on the GTA West EA is available at MTO's website at www.gta-west.com

As the NW GTA Study will not be proceeding, the Ministry of Energy, Northern Development and Mines (ENDM), together with IESO, have initiated a Transmission Corridor Identification Study (Transmission Corridor Study) to identify an adjacent transmission corridor to support growing demand for electricity in the western GTA. The Transmission Corridor Study Area includes the majority of the FAA of the GTA West EA, as well as additional land where Highways 407 and 401 intersect near the Town of Milton and the City of Mississauga, to connect to existing transmission infrastructure in the Parkway Belt West Plan. Planning today for tomorrow's electrical needs will help avoid future costs to local electricity ratepayers. A map of the Study Area is attached for your reference as Figure 2 and further information on the Transmission Corridor Study is available at www.ieso.ca/Get-Involved/Regional-Planning/GTA-and-Central-Ontario/Northwest-GTA

Under the policies of A Place to Grow: The Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe and the Provincial Policy Statement, 2014, planning authorities have a

shared responsibility to protect planned corridors to meet current and projected needs. We look forward to your continued collaboration in protecting the GTA West Corridor as well as the new Transmission Corridor Study Area. Pursuant to Ontario Regulations 543/06, 544/06, and 545/06, notice of *Planning Act* applications within or abutting the boundary of the study areas is required to be provided to the following individual:

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Further, to facilitate provincial review of these planning applications, we ask that notice also be provided to the following individuals for the respective study areas:

GTA West EA:
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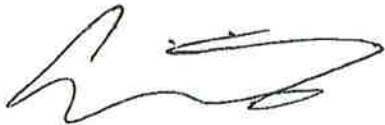
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Thank you for your continued cooperation and assistance in protecting for provincial corridors.

Sincerely,



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Figure 1 – GTA West Environmental Assessment Study Area



Orange Area

The 2015 Focused Analysis Area (2015 FAA) is a zone surrounding the short list of route alternatives. Properties located within the 2015 FAA could be directly impacted by the GTA West multimodal transportation corridor, ancillary uses, or if refinements are made to the route alternatives.

Green Areas

MTO has a reduced interest in properties located in the green areas. Applications can proceed through municipal development processes. MTO will continue to review all development applications in the study area, but it is anticipated that applications in the green areas will not be impacted by the GTA West multimodal transportation corridor.

Route Planning Study Area

Figure 2 – Transmission Corridor Identification Study Area

