

New Bill Exemption Letter (MC-2018-436)

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Attachments: MC-2018-436 Incoming.pdf (128.07 kB); 2018-04-27 BN H1 request for alternatives v3.docx (22.52 kB); MC-2018-436--H1 seeks exemption_auth alternatives re bill redesign--Pugl....docx (22.24 kB)

Deputy,

After receiving the latest letter from Hydro One asking for exemptions on bill redesign (attached), staff have drafted a briefing note on Hydro One's request as well as a draft letter responding.

While Hydro One does not currently require an exemption (since we granted them a blanket exemption last year), this exemption expires in September 2018. Hydro One is proactively requesting exemptions in three areas:

- 1) New definitions of 'electricity', 'delivery' and 'regulatory charges' – Staff do not have a concern with this request and the Ministry was specifically granted the authority to exempt under the regs that took effect in April 2018.
- 2) Changing the title of the 'Delivery' line to "Delivery, Infrastructure and System Maintenance" – staff confirm that the Minister does not currently have the authority to grant this exemption
- 3) Minor formatting concern – staff do not have a concern with this request

Staff did flag that due to the exemption granted earlier, no decision on any of these need to be made till September 2018, but Hydro One is asking for these now (in discussions with staff, Hydro One staff appear to be okay not proceeding with #2. They also wanted to flag that they did not expect any such requests at this time (Hydro One appears to be several months ahead).

Did you want a briefing on this or share the BN and proposed response with MO?

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