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May 23, 2024

Ms. Nancy Marconi Registrar Ontario Energy Board Suite 2700, 2300 Yonge Street P.O. Box 2319 Toronto, ON M4P 1E4

Dear Ms. Marconi,

## EB-2024-0116 - B2M Limited Partnership - 2025-2029 Transmission Revenue Requirement - Application and Evidence

Hydro One Networks Inc., on behalf of B2M Limited Partnership (B2M LP), is submitting B2M LP's five-year Transmission Revenue Requirement Application for the period 2025-2029 using the Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) Regulatory Electronic Submission System.

Given that B2M LP operates a single transmission asset, with minimal operating costs and no forecast capital expenditures, Hydro One proposes that this Application would be most effectively dealt with in written form. Moreover, Hydro One encourages the OEB to make provision for a settlement conference to assist with the expediency of the application.

B2M LP will post electronic copies of the Application and supporting evidence on its website for public access. An electronic copy of the Application and Evidence has been submitted using the Board's Regulatory Electronic Submission System.

Sincerely,

Elise Andrey

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#### **APPLICATION**

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#### **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD**

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**IN THE MATTER OF** the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998*, S.O. 1998, c. 15;

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**AND IN THE MATTER OF** an application by B2M Limited Partnership, by its general partner Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships Inc. (HOIP), for an Order or Orders made pursuant to section 78 of the Act approving revenue requirement for the transmission of electricity.

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1. The applicant, B2M Limited Partnership (B2M LP), is a Limited Partnership the general partner of which is HOIP, an affiliate of Hydro One Inc. (HOI). The limited partners of B2M LP are (i) Hydro One Networks Inc. (HONI, and also an affiliate of HOI), and (ii) Saugeen Ojibway Nation Finance Corporation (SON FC), a corporation owned by, and the Nominee of, the Chippewas of Saugeen First Nation and Chippewas of Nawash First Nation.

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2. B2M LP has its head office in Woodstock, Ontario, is licensed by the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) under licence number ET-2013-0078 to transmit electricity, and it carries on the business of owning and operating transmission facilities in Ontario.

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This is an application for revenue requirement a five-year test period commencing January 1, 2025, and ending December 31, 2029 (the Application).

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4. B2M LP hereby applies to the OEB, pursuant to Section 78 of the *Ontario Energy*Board Act, 1998, for an Order or Orders approving:

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a) B2M LP's total revenue requirement for 2025 to 2029;

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- b) Inclusion of B2M LP's approved rates revenue requirement in the OEB's determination of the 2025 to 2029 Network pool of the Uniform Transmission 2 Rates (UTRs);
  - c) The continuation of B2M LP's current regulatory accounts;
- d) Disposition of the Earnings Sharing Mechanism (ESM) balance as part of its revenue requirement over a one-year period commencing January 1, 2025; 8
- e) Other items or amounts that may be requested by B2M LP in the course of this 10 proceeding, and as may be granted by the OEB. 11
- This Application has been prepared in accordance with the OEB's Filing 13 Requirements for Electricity Transmission Rate Applications dated February 11, 14 2016. 15
- The persons affected by this Application are Ontario ratepayers. It is impractical to 17 set out their names and addresses because they are too numerous. 18

#### FORM OF HEARING REQUESTED

- The Application may be viewed on the Internet at the following address: 21 https://b2mlp.ca/regulatory/ 22
- B2M LP requests that this Application be heard by way of a written hearing. 24

#### PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE

B2M LP requests that the OEB's revenue requirement orders be effective January 27 1, 2025. To address the possibility that the requested orders cannot be made 28 effective by that time, B2M LP requests an interim Order making its current 29 transmission revenue requirement and charges effective on an interim basis as of 30 January 1, 2025, and the use of the existing Forgone Revenue Deferral Account to 31

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recover any differences between the interim rates and the final rates effective 1 January 1, 2025, based on the OEB's Decision and Order herein. 2 3 **CONTACT INFORMATION** 4 10. B2M LP requests that a copy of all documents filed with the OEB by each party to 5 this Application be served on the applicant and the applicant's counsel as follows: 6 a) The Applicant: 8 Eryn Mackinnon 9 Regulatory Advisor 10 Hydro One Networks Inc. 11 12 Mailing Address: 13 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, South Tower 14 483 Bay Street 15 Toronto, Ontario M5G 2P5 16 (416) 345-4479 Telephone: 17 Regulatory@HydroOne.com Electronic access: 18 19 b) The Applicant's Counsel: 20 Ms. Raman Dhillon Senior Legal Counsel Hydro One Networks Inc. 23

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DATED at Toronto, Ontario, this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of May 2024.

By B2M Limited Partnership
By its counsel,

Raman Dhillon

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1		CERTIFICATION OF EVIDENCE
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3		B2M Limited Partnership
4		A limited partnership under the laws of Ontario
5		(hereinafter, B2M LP)
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7	TO:	THE ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD
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10	The u	ndersigned, Jeffrey Smith, hereby certifies for and on behalf of B2M LP that:
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12	1.	I am the Managing Director of Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships Inc., the
13		General Partner for B2M LP;
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15	2.	This certificate is given pursuant to Chapter 1 of the Ontario Energy Board's
16		Filing Requirements for Electricity Transmission Applications (last revised on
17		February 11, 2016); and
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19	3.	The evidence submitted in support of B2M LP's 2025-2029 revenue requirement
20		application (EB-2024-0116) filed with the Ontario Energy Board is accurate,
21		consistent and complete to the best of my knowledge.
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23	DATE	<b>D</b> this 23 <sup>rd</sup> day of May 2024.
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27		JEFFREY SMITH
28		for B2M LP by its General Partner, Hydro One
29		Indigenous Partnerships Inc.

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## CERTIFICATION OF DEFERRAL AND VARIANCE ACCOUNT

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**BALANCES** 2 3 **ONTARIO ENERGY BOARD** TO: 4 5 6 The undersigned, Chris Lopez, being Hydro One's EVP, Chief Financial and Regulatory 7 Officer, hereby certifies for and on behalf of Bruce to Milton Limited Partnership that: 8 9 1. This certificate is given pursuant to Chapter 1 of the OEB's Filing Requirements 10 for Electricity Transmission Applications; and 11 12 2. Hydro One has the appropriate processes and internal controls for the preparation, 13 review, verification and oversight of all deferral and variance accounts. 14 15 DATED this 23rd day of May 2024. 16 17 18 19 **CHRIS LOPEZ** 20

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#### **COMPLIANCE WITH APPLICABLE FILING REQUIREMENTS**

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

- B2M LP has prepared this Application in accordance with the OEB's guidance in its
- 5 Filing Requirements for Electricity Transmission Rate applications (February 11, 2016)
- 6 (Transmission Filing Requirements). B2M LP has presented the content to align with
- 7 Chapter 2 of the Transmission Filing Requirements (Chapter 2). To assist the OEB in its
- 8 review of the Application, B2M LP has prepared a checklist of the Transmission Filing
- 9 Requirements including the relevant evidentiary references for each item. This checklist
- is provided as Attachment 1 to this Exhibit.

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#### 2.0 NON-APPLICABLE FILING REQUIREMENTS

Given that B2M LP is a single transmission line asset and has a limited role in the transmission of electricity in the province, the following Transmission Filing

Requirements are not applicable. These include:

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### 1. Customer Engagement

 B2M LP does not have any direct customers, and therefore has not performed any customer engagement activities and analysis.

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#### 2. Transmission System Plan

B2M LP has prepared an abridged Transmission System Plan (TSP) given that it
is not proposing capital expenditures during the rate period.

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 Section 2.4 of Chapter 2 states that transmitters may wish to refer to Chapter 5 of the OEB's Filing Requirements for Electricity Distributors, Consolidated Distribution System Plan Filing Requirements (DSP Requirements) for further guidance on the content and structure of a TSP. B2M LP has referred to the DSP Requirements to guide the preparation of its abridged TSP. Filed: 2024-05-23 EB-2024-0116 Exhibit A Tab 2 Schedule 2 Page 2 of 4

#### 3. Working Capital Allowance

 As established in B2M LP's 2015 transmission rates application (EB-2015-0026), there is no need for a working capital allowance.

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#### 4. Capitalization of Overheads

 B2M LP does not have any capital projects under construction. There is no interest or overhead to be capitalized.

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#### 5. Economic Overview / Load Forecast

 B2M LP's asset base consists of one 500 kV transmission line comprised of two circuits with no delivery points. As a result, B2M LP has no discrete, incremental load determinants to include in the UTR forecast.

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The only rate pool applicable for B2M LP assets is the "Network" pool consistent
with the cost allocation methodology approved by the OEB in proceeding EB2015-0026 for B2M LP's transmission rates. Therefore, no further cost allocation
methodology is presented in this Application.

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#### 6. Other Revenue

 B2M LP has no external revenue sources. The only revenue applicable to B2M LP is the revenue requirement from owning and maintaining its 500 kV transmission line.

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#### 7. Employee Compensation

 B2M LP has no employees. Operations and management services are provided by HONI via a service level agreement as outlined in Exhibit F-03-01.

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#### 3.0 MATERIALITY THRESHOLD

In terms of the materiality used by B2M LP, 0.5% of the average of 5 years' revenue requirement in the revenue requirement period of \$189k is applicable.

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#### 4.0 DEVIATIONS FROM THE FILING REQUIREMENTS

2 B2M LP has complied with the OEB's policies and guidelines as set out in the

3 Transmission Filing Requirements.

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#### 5 5.0 CHANGES TO METHODOLOGIES USED IN PREVIOUS APPLICATIONS

- B2M LP includes a list of changes to its methodology compared to previous rebasing applications:
  - 1. Change to methodology proposed to set revenue requirement as further described in Exhibit A-04-01; and
- 2. Adoption of the new depreciation methodology for its assets consistent with the new depreciation methodology approved for HONI in EB-2023-0110 for 2023-27 distribution and transmission rates, as further described in Exhibit F-05-01.

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## FILING REQUIREMENT CHECKLIST

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3 This attachment has been filed separately in MS Excel format.

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# SUMMARY OF BOARD DIRECTIVES AND UNDERTAKINGS FROM PREVIOUS PROCEEDINGS

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In B2M LP's 2020 – 2024 revenue requirement proceeding (EB-2019-0178), parties agreed in the EB-2019-0178 settlement agreement that B2M LP would provide two additional performance metrics. B2M has provided these performance metrics. Please see Exhibit D-1-1 for details.

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

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This exhibit describes the key aspects of B2M Limited Partnership (B2M LP)'s application

4 (the Application) in respect of its proposed transmission revenue requirement for 2025 to

5 2029.

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#### 1.0 B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

8 B2M LP is a limited partnership between Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships Inc. (HOIP)

and Hydro One Networks Inc. (HONI), both of which are affiliates of Hydro One Inc. (HOI),

and Saugeen Ojibway Nation Finance Corporation (SON FC), a corporation owned by,

and the Nominee of, the Chippewas of Saugeen First Nation and Chippewas of Nawash

First Nation.

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B2M LP owns a 176 km 500kV dual circuit high-voltage transmission line that connects the Bruce Nuclear Generating Station to HONI's Milton Switching Station.

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#### 2.0 APPROVALS REQUESTED

In this Application for 2025 to 2029 transmission revenue requirement, B2M LP is requesting the Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) approval for:<sup>1</sup>

- i. Revenue requirement for the 2025-2029 period;
- ii. Inclusion of B2M LP's approved rates revenue requirement in the OEB's determination of the 2025 to 2029 Network pool of the Uniform Transmission Rates (UTRs);
  - iii. The continuation of B2M LP's current regulatory accounts;
  - iv. Disposition of the Earnings Sharing Mechanism (ESM) balance as part of its revenue requirement over a one-year period commencing January 1, 2025;
- v. An effective date of January 1, 2025; and
- vi. Other items that may be requested by B2M LP in the course of this proceeding, and as may be granted by the OEB.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As described in Exhibit A-02-01.

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- A number of internal and external challenges will need to be managed over the test period.
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- a) Rising income tax expense as B2M LP's capital cost allowance (CCA) declines and its Ontario corporate minimum tax (OCMT) credits are fully depleted;
- b) Increased maintenance costs related to repair of spacer dampers which was initiated in 2020 and will be completed in 2029; and
- c) Managing B2M LP's Right-of-Way vegetation maintenance program, taking into consideration the six-year vegetation cycle and the expected increase in forestry expenses during certain test years with greater work volumes, similar to historical trend.

B2M LP's Application will mitigate these challenges and ensure that B2M LP's assets are managed efficiently and effectively.

The change in B2M LP's rates revenue requirement will not affect the 2025 Network UTR relative to the current 2024 rate.<sup>2</sup> The Line Connection and Transformation Connection UTRs are unaffected by B2M LP, as described in Section 5.9 below.

The 2025 change in rates revenue requirement will result in an average impact on transmission rates of 0.027% and a total bill impact of less than 0.01% (less than 1 cent per month) for a typical Hydro One Residential (R1) customer consuming 750 kW per month and, similarly, a total bill impact of less than 0.01% (less than 1 cent per month) for a typical Hydro One energy-billed General Service (GS<50kW) customer consuming 2,000 kWh per month. The annual changes from 2026 to 2029 revenue requirement will also not materially impact the average transmission rates, or the total bills for Hydro One's typical R1 and GS<50kW customers. A summary is provided in Table 9, below and further details are provided in Exhibit I-02-01.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> EB-2023-0222, Decision and Rate Order on 2024 Uniform Transmission Rates, January 18, 2024.

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#### 3.0 REVENUE REQUIREMENT FRAMEWORK

2 B2M LP proposes to set its revenue requirement for a five-year period using a forecast of

3 OM&A and capital costs for each of the five years. Customer protection mechanisms such

as earnings sharing mechanism (ESM) and off-ramps are proposed. Consistent with the

OEB's Handbook for Utility Rate Applications (the Handbook), cost of capital is proposed

to be fixed at 2025 levels subject only to one update to the cost of long-term debt.<sup>3</sup>

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B2M LP understands that the OEB's Renewed Regulatory Framework (RRF), as most recently set out in the Handbook, provides that electricity transmitters are to choose either Custom IR or a Revenue Cap IR.<sup>4</sup> However, the RRF was not conceived for a single-asset utility such as B2M LP. Single-asset utilities typically have few, if any, capital expenditures in the years following the in-service of the new asset and their rate base declines over time. As a result, a revenue cap index framework, whereby the revenue requirement is updated each year by a factor based on inflation minus a productivity factor may result in overearning for a single-asset utility. B2M LP believes that its proposed approach will provide greater transparency to ratepayers in respect of its costs over the 2025-2029 period and will allow for its revenue requirement to be directly tied to its forecast costs over the entire period.

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The approach has a number of benefits as described below in Sections 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3.

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#### 3.1 THE APPROACH DOES NOT DISCOURAGE PRODUCTIVITY

B2M LP has few, if any opportunities to unilaterally achieve productivity improvements, regardless of the revenue requirement framework under which it is operating at any given time.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> As detailed in Exhibit G-01-01.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Handbook page 24.

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- B2M LP owns and operates a single 500kV transmission line that is about 15 years
  old and has an expected service life of over 80 years. As these assets are new,
  they require lower OM&A in comparison to other transmitters, and no capital
  expenditures are forecasted during the rate period;
- Given that there are no forecast capital expenditures, B2M LP's main controllable costs are maintenance and a small amount of administration. These costs are a small fraction of total costs and are significantly less than the non-controllable portions of B2M LP's costs (Cost of Capital, Depreciation, Income Tax, Operations, Corporate Allocation). As a result, it is only in respect of a modest portion of OM&A costs that productivity can be achieved. Even in respect of the controllable portion of maintenance and administration costs:
  - B2M LP's management and work programs are provided by a service level agreement, resulting in minimal overhead as well as qualified and flexible resources when needed, allowing B2M LP to remain cost efficient; and
  - B2M LP's service level agreement integrates HONI's productivity improvements into B2M LP's maintenance operations.

As a result of the above, B2M LP receives the benefit of HONI's productivity improvements in B2M LP's maintenance operations, regardless of the regulatory framework under which B2M LP operates.

#### 3.2 PROTECTIONS FOR RATEPAYERS

The approach proposed has a number of protections for ratepayers, including an ESM, a Z-factor mechanism, an off-ramp mechanism and performance metrics.

#### EARNINGS SHARING MECHANISM (ESM)

Although significant overearning is not expected, B2M LP proposes to share, with customers, 50% of any earnings that exceed the OEB-allowed regulatory return on equity (ROE) by more than 100 basis points in any year of the five-year term.

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#### 1 **Z-FACTOR**

- B2M LP is proposing, consistent with the Handbook, that the OEB's Z-factor mechanism
- be available over the term of this five-year Application. The criteria that would apply to the
- use of the Z-factor mechanism are detailed in exhibit A-4-1.

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#### OFF-RAMPS

- 7 B2M LP proposes to apply the OEB's existing off-ramp mechanism, a trigger mechanism
- with an annual return on equity dead band of plus or minus 300 basis points,<sup>5</sup> at which
- 9 point a regulatory review of the revenue requirement arising from B2M LP's five-year
- 10 Application may be initiated.

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#### PERFORMANCE METRICS

As detailed in Exhibit D-1-1, B2M LP is proposing several performance measures which align with RRF outcomes. These measures protect customers by providing transparency in respect of the performance of B2M LP's assets. They allow for verification that the assets are operated within the expected parameters and continue to serve the electricity consumers of Ontario effectively.

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#### 3.3 ANNUAL UPDATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE REQUIRED

As a result of B2M LP's proposed approach, annual updates to set the revenue requirements for 2026-2029 will not be required. Only one update is proposed to the cost of long-term debt in 2025 as detailed in Exhibit G-01-01 of this Application. Once the 2025 update for cost of long-term debt is complete (impacting 2026-2029 revenue requirements), B2M LP's 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029 revenue requirements will be final. As a result, the OEB can use these final revenue requirements approved to set 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029 UTRs. B2M LP believes its proposal helps advance regulatory efficiency by eliminating the need for annual updates.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> See Chapter 3 of Filing Requirements for Electricity Distribution Rate Applications, section 3.2.10.

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#### 4.0 B2M LP'S STRATEGIC PLAN

B2M LP's plan on which this Application is based was informed by its values and strategic

3 objectives described in the section below.

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- 5 B2M LP is sensitive to and has considered the needs of provincial ratepayers that have
- expressed a desire for low rates and high reliability. B2M LP's plan supports these general
- 7 customer objectives by proposing no planned capital spending and a modest OM&A
- 8 budget required to maintain B2M LP's transmission reliability.

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- B2M LP's asset management process, as well as capital expenditure and operation and maintenance expenses for 2025-2029 are further explained in Attachment 1 to Exhibit B-
- 12 01-03.

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#### 4.1 B2M LP'S VALUES AND STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

- B2M LP, as part of the Hydro One family of companies, is driven primarily by the values of health and safety, and stewardship. B2M LP's strategy and business values must operate with revenue that can balance the financing of investment in infrastructure while
- maintaining affordable and reliable service.

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- B2M LP is 34% owned by a partnership of First Nations over whose traditional territory the transmission line crosses. Respect for Indigenous peoples and their traditions is another
- key value of the partnership.

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- The five-year vision associated with B2M LP's strategic objectives is shown in Table 1. In
- managing its transmission assets, B2M LP is committed to meeting the OEB's Renewed
- Regulatory Framework (RRF) outcomes as demonstrated by the alignment of B2M LP's
- 27 strategic objectives to the RRF outcomes.

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**Table 1 - B2M LP Strategic Objectives** 

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RRF Outcomes	Strategic Objectives	Five-Year Vision					
Customer Focus	Reliable Transmission	Maintain top-tier transmission reliability performance and improve long-term system reliability.					
Operational Effectiveness	Foster Indigenous Relationships	To foster positive relationships with the Indigenous communities of the partners.					
Operational Effectiveness	Injury-Free	Ensure B2M LP operations and management services agreement is executed in accordance with good utility practice for employee and public safety.					
Public Policy Responsiveness	Cost Control	Secure a reasonable service agreement with Hydro One Networks Inc. that minimizes cost.					
Public Policy Responsiveness	Public Policy Responsiveness	Support government objectives by delivering on obligations mandated by government through legislation and regulatory requirements.					
	Protecting the Environment	Sustainably manage B2M LP's environmental footprint.					
Financial Performance	Owner's Value	Achieve the Regulated Return on Equity allowed by the Ontario Energy Board.					
	Ratepayer Value	Plan and strategically execute responsible investment in rate base assets to ensure the safety and reliability of the grid while ensuring manageable and stable rate impacts over the course of the planning period.					

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#### 5.0 KEY ELEMENTS OF THE APPLICATION

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#### 5.1 REVENUE REQUIREMENT

B2M LP's 2025-29 proposed revenue requirements are shown in Table 2.

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Table 2 - Revenue Requirement (\$M)\*

2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
3.1	2.7	3.9	4.1	2.8
6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5
2.4	2.6	2.9	3.0	3.2
25.7	25.6	25.3	24.9	24.5
37.8	37.5	38.6	38.5	37.0
(8.0)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
37.0	37.5	38.6	38.5	37.0
	3.1 6.5 2.4 25.7 37.8 (0.8)	3.1 2.7 6.5 6.5 2.4 2.6 25.7 25.6 37.8 37.5 (0.8) 0.0	3.1     2.7     3.9       6.5     6.5     6.5       2.4     2.6     2.9       25.7     25.6     25.3       37.8     37.5     38.6       (0.8)     0.0     0.0	3.1     2.7     3.9     4.1       6.5     6.5     6.5     6.5       2.4     2.6     2.9     3.0       25.7     25.6     25.3     24.9       37.8     37.5     38.6     38.5       (0.8)     0.0     0.0     0.0

<sup>\*</sup>Exhibit Reference: E-01-01, Table 1.

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The drivers of the increase in the 2025 base revenue requirement compared to the 2020 OEB-approved test year is predominantly driven by higher costs of OM&A, debt and taxes,

as further explained in Exhibit F-02-01, Exhibit G-01-01, and Exhibit F-06-01, respectively.

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#### 5.2 BUDGETING ASSUMPTIONS

B2M LP is proposing no future capital expenditures. B2M LP has assumed generally 2% inflation in its OM&A budgets.

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#### 5.3 LOAD FORECAST

B2M LP has included no load forecast, as it has no distinct metering points or delivery points. All power transported using B2M LP's assets are delivered to the final customer by another transmitter and thus is included in another transmitter's load forecast. The revenue requirement is allocated to the provincial Network rate pool, as all assets serve the Network with no Transformation or individual customer services. Once the revenue

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> This comprises of the disposition of Earnings Sharing Mechanism (ESM) regulatory account.

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requirement by rate pool has been established, rates are determined by applying the Provincial charge determinants for each pool to the total revenue for each pool.

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#### 5.4 TRANSMISSION SYSTEM PLAN (TSP)

This section summarizes the major drivers and elements of B2M LP's five-year TSP (Exhibit B-01-03, Attachment 1). B2M LP has aligned its TSP in accordance with Chapter 2 of the Ontario Energy Board's (OEB) *Filing Requirements for Electricity Transmission Applications* published on February 11, 2016, with further guidance from Chapters 3 and 5 of the OEB's *Filing Requirements for Electricity Distribution Rate Applications* (*Incentive Rate-Setting Applications* and *Distribution System Plan*), revised on June 15, 2023 and

December 15, 2022, respectively (together, the "Filing Requirements").

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#### 5.4.1 ASSET MANAGEMENT PROCESS

B2M LP continues to retain HONI under a service level agreement (SLA) to plan, organize, and execute the operation and maintenance of the assets and provide certain corporate and administrative support services. B2M LP relies upon HONI's asset management process to develop its Plan. HONI has continued to implement several refinements in its asset strategies and investment assessment to improve upon its asset management process, as documented in Section 2.2 of Exhibit B-02-01 of OEB proceeding EB-2021-0110. Given the lack of required capital spending, those changes are not meaningful in this application but will potentially benefit B2M LP in a future period.

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#### 5.4.2 INVESTMENT PLANNING PROCESS

B2M LP's operational needs are assessed by HONI on an annual basis and are incorporated into HONI's investment planning process to establish a plan that addresses those operational needs while minimizing rate impacts. This planning process ultimately forms part of the overall asset management process, which is aimed at identifying and scoping the optimal timing of capital investments and asset maintenance throughout the life cycle of assets.

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#### 5.4.3 **CAPITAL EXPENDITURES**

B2M LP's transmission system is limited to the components of a 500kV double circuit 2 transmission line. Given the relatively new vintage of this line, no planned capital spending 3 is required to meet the Applicant's business objectives over the 2025 to 2029 planning 4 period. The absence of capital spending will result in no in-service additions to grow its 5 rate base during the planning period. Table 3 below summarizes B2M LP's historical 6 actuals and planned in-service additions by category over the TSP planning period. 7

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Table 3 - Overall Plan (\$M)

OEB Category		Historica	I Actuals		Bridge	Forecast				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 Forecast	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
System Access	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
System Renewal	1.7	0.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
System Service	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
General Plant	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Capital	1.7	0.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Roughly 90% of B2M LP's assets were placed into service in 2012. Therefore, little degradation has occurred, and these assets are considered to be in good condition. The remaining 10% of the assets were pre-existing HONI-owned assets that were originally inserviced in 1980 and sold to B2M LP. In 2019 insulator strings were identified on the older section of line that B2M LP owned as having an elevated risk of failure. These were replaced between 2020 and 2022 resulting in total in-service additions of \$2.7M. For 2025 2029, no capital expenditures are planned.

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#### 5.5 RATE BASE

The requested rate base over the test period is provided in Table 4 below. Details are 19 provided in Exhibit C-01-01. The 2025 rate base represents a \$6.7M (1.4%) decrease over 20 2024 rate base.

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Table 4 - Transmission Rate Base (\$M)\*

Description	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Mid-Year Gross Plant	550.4	550.4	550.4	550.4	550.4
Mid-Year Accumulated Depreciation	(95.3)	(101.7)	(108.2)	(114.7)	(121.2)
Mid-Year Net Plant	455.1	448.6	442.1	435.7	429.2
Cash Working Capital	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Materials and Supply Inventory	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Transmission Rate Base	455.1	448.6	442.1	435.7	429.2

<sup>\*</sup>Exhibit Reference: C-01-01, Table 3

#### 5.6 PERFORMANCE AND REPORTING

B2M LP is proposing to continue to track its performance by utilizing most of the measures approved by the OEB in proceeding EB-2015-0026, and the Settlement Agreement in EB-2019-0178.

Given the nature of B2M LP's assets, the performance of the equipment does not lend 8 itself to applying the typical measures that might be in place for other transmitters. B2M 9 10 11 12

LP's assets consist solely of a single 500kV double circuit transmission line (circuits B560V and B561M) between the Bruce Nuclear Generating Station and the Milton Switching Station but does not include any terminal breakers or other operable assets. The demarcation point of each of the circuits is at a tower outside of the stations, as noted in Exhibit B-01-01. B2M LP does not directly supply any customer delivery points (or meter assets), which are the basis of interruption-based reliability performance measures like SAIDI and SAIFI. However, HONI SAIDI and/or SAIFI values can be impacted by outages caused by B2M LP assets. As a result, as stated in the settlement agreement from EB-2019-0178, B2M LP will report SAIDI and SAIFI contribution caused by B2M assets (T-SAIDI B2MLP Contribution and T-SAIFI B2MLP Contribution). Since B2M LP has no customers, no Customer Focus measures have been proposed. The performance measures, along with their associated RRF performance outcomes, are shown in Table

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**Table 5 - B2M LP's Performance Measures** 

RRF Outcomes	Performance Measure
Operational Excellence	Average System Availability (%)
Operational Excellence	T-SAIDI B2MLP Contribution
Operational Excellence	T-SAIFI B2MLP Contribution
Operational Excellence	O&M Cost (\$K) per circuit kilometer <sup>7</sup>
Public Policy Responsiveness	NERC Vegetation Compliance

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Further details on the methods and measures as well as the historical performance and forecast targets are documented in Exhibit D-01-01.

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### 5.7 OPERATIONS, MAINTENANCE AND ADMINISTRATION (OM&A) EXPENSE

B2M LP is managed by its general partner, HOIP, which retains HONI under a SLA, to plan, organize, and execute the operation and maintenance of the assets and provide certain corporate and administrative support services as outlined in Exhibit F-03-01.

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OM&A expenses are derived based upon the various work programs and functions performed by or on behalf of the Partnership. As outlined in Table 8 below, the average OM&A annualized forecast for the 2025 to 2029 period is \$3.3M. The 2020 Test Year OM&A approved in EB-2019-0178 rate filing was \$1.2M. This represents a \$2.1M increase over the 2020 test year. The average annualized forecast OM&A spend for the 2020 to 2024 period is \$2.4M which is also higher than 2020 Test Year approved OM&A of \$1.2M. OM&A costs, have on-average been \$1.2M over plan for the 2020 – 2024 period. Three key factors are contributing to high OM&A costs for 2025 to 2029: (i) continuation of the Spacer Damper Repair Program, (ii) planned cyclic vegetation management activities for 2025 to 2029; and (iii) inclusion of shared asset cost allocation.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Circuit kms refer to total route kms multiplied by number of circuits per km. For B2M LP, this is 176 kms x 2 circuits = 352 kms.

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As outlined in Exhibit F-02-01, Section 2.1.1, defective spacer dampers were identified in 2019 during detailed helicopter inspections. Mitigation was initiated in 2020 and is anticipated to continue until 2029. OM&A costs are anticipated to reduce by about \$1M annually after 2029 once the Spacer Damper Repair Program has been completed.

Higher OM&A forecasts for the 2025 to 2029 period are also due to large portions of B2M LP's Right of Way undergoing major vegetation maintenance in 2025, 2027, and 2028. As outlined in Exhibit B-01-03, Attachment 1, Section 3.3.1 Routine Operation and Maintenance, Line Clearing and Brush Control are cyclic vegetation maintenance activities that are scheduled for Right of Ways every six years. These activities have significantly higher unit costs compared to other vegetation management and patrol activities.

Starting in 2023, B2M LP is also charged transfer pricing by HONI for the use of certain shared assets. The shared asset costs allocated to B2M LP include those for major fixed assets and intangible assets, as well as minor fixed assets. Shared Asset Allocation is forecast to be \$0.3M annually for the 2025 to 2029 period, and mainly relates to HONI's SAP system, an enterprise-wide system that integrates work management, finance, supply chain and other enterprise software. Use of these systems is required for HONI to coordinate and execute its asset management process and subsequent maintenance activities for B2M LP.

Other Incremental Expenses include components that are directly incurred by B2M LP and are outside of the SLA with HONI. These include components such as insurance, regulatory expenses, Managing Director costs, and other administrative expenses such as external fees, statutory remittances, and auditor costs. These expenses have been adjusted for inflation for the 2025 to 2029 forecast period.

Further details are presented in Exhibit F-02-01.

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Table 6 - Summary of OM&A (\$M)\*

		Historical							Brid	dge		F	orecas	st									
		2020			2021			2022		2023		2023		2023		2023		24	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
	Plan*	Act	Var	Plan*	Act	Var	Plan*	Act	Var	Plan*	Act	Var	Plan*	Fcst	Fcst	Fcst	Fcst	Fcst	Fcst				
SLA Costs	0.7	2.4	1.7	0.7	1.6	0.9	0.8	1.3	0.5	0.8	2	1.3	0.8	2.5	2.6	2.2	3.3	3.5	2.1				
Incremental Expenses	0.4	0.4	0	0.4	0.3	(0.1)	0.4	0.4	(0.1)	0.5	0.4	(0.0)	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7				
Total OM&A	1.2	2.8	1.6	1.2	2.0	8.0	1.2	1.6	0.4	1.2	2.5	1.2	1.3	3.1	3.1	2.7	3.9	4.1	2.8				

<sup>\*</sup>The Plan values reflect the test year values (2020) approved by the OEB as part of the previous revenue requirement application, EB-2019-0178, as escalated by approved Revenue Cap Index values.

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#### 5.8 COST OF CAPITAL

Details of the cost of capital summary for each year are provided in Exhibit G-01-03. Table

7 below summarizes the return on capital for the 2025-2029 test period.

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Table 7 - 2025-2029 Return on Capital

	Return on Capital (\$M)									
	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029					
Long term debt	7.8	8.0	7.9	7.8	7.6					
Short-term debt	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.1					
Common Equity	16.8	16.5	16.3	16.0	15.8					
Total	25.7	25.6	25.3	24.9	24.5					

6 B2M LP's deemed capital structure for rate-making purposes is 60% debt and 40%

7 common equity of utility rate base, as affirmed by the OEB's Decision in B2M LP's 2020

8 to 2024 transmission rate application (EB-2019-0178). The 60% debt component is

comprised of 4% deemed short-term debt and 56% long-term debt.8

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At the time of the Draft Rate Order (DRO) in this proceeding, B2M LP intends to update the 2025 to 2029 revenue requirements based on the OEB's release of its 2025 cost of capital parameters to reflect: (a) the OEB-prescribed 2025 return on equity (ROE) and short-term debt rates; and (b) a long-term debt rate based on B2M LP's forecast debt refinancing in 2025, using the September 2024 Consensus Forecast. The ROE and short-term debt rate parameters will remain fixed over the five-year rate term.

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For the 2026 revenue requirement year, B2M LP proposes a one-time update to the cost of long-term debt to reflect the actual market rate achieved on the long-term debt it will issue in 2025. This will allow actual debt issuances made to refinance maturing debt in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Consistent with the Report of the Board on the Cost of Capital for Ontario's Regulated Utilities (EB-2009-0084) and its subsequent Review of the Existing Methodology of the Cost of Capital for Ontario's Regulated Utilities, dated January 14, 2016.

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2025 to be reflected in the 2026 revenue requirement and through to the end of the rate term.

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Further details regarding the cost of capital can be found in Exhibit G-01-01.

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#### 5.9 COST ALLOCATION AND RATE DESIGN

All assets associated with B2M LP are classified as Network assets, consistent with the cost allocation methodology approved by the OEB for B2M LP in previous OEB proceedings, most recently in EB-2019-0178. Accordingly, the total rates revenue requirement associated with B2M LP's transmission assets will be allocated to the Network pool. Further details regarding the cost allocation and rate design are provided in in Exhibit I-01-01.

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#### 5.10 DEFERRAL AND VARIANCE ACCOUNTS

B2M LP is requesting to dispose of its regulatory balances in the ESM deferral account that accumulated between 2022 and 2023. B2M LP is requesting to dispose of the ESM deferral account balance as part of its revenue requirement over a one-year period commencing January 1, 2025.

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B2M LP's regulatory account balances are summarized in Table 8 below:

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Table 8 - Summary of Regulatory Account Balances (\$)

Description	Principal Balance as at Dec. 31, 2023	Projected Interest up to Dec. 31, 2024	Total Balance
Tax Rate and Rule Changes Variance Account	0	0	0
Forgone Revenue Deferral Account	0	0	0
ESM Deferral Account	(732,119)	(44,208)	(776,327)
Total Group 2 Balances	(732,119)	(44,208)	(776,327)

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B2M LP is requesting approval to continue all existing accounts, as detailed in Exhibit H-01-01.

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#### 5.11 BILL IMPACTS

- 5 A summary of the estimated impacts of this Application on average transmission rates and
- total bills for transmission and distribution-connected customers is provided in Table 9.
- 7 Detailed calculations are provided in Exhibit I-02-01.

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- The total bill impact for a typical Hydro One residential (R1) customer consuming 750
- kWh, and for a typical Hydro One General Service (GS<50kW) customer consuming 2,000
- 11 kWh is determined based on the forecast increase in the customer's Network Retail
- 12 Transmission Service Rates (RTSR-N).

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Table 9 - Summary of Impacts on Average Transmission Rates and Transmission and Distribution-Connected Customers

	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Rates Revenue Requirement (\$M)	36.396	36.988	37.467	38.583	38.540	36.982
Net Impact on Average Transmission Rates		0.027%	0.022%	0.050%	-0.002%	-0.068%
Average Transmission Customer Total Bill Impact		0.003%	0.003%	0.006%	0.000%	-0.008%
Typical Hydro One R1 Customer		\$0.004	\$0.003	\$0.008	\$(0.000)	\$(0.010)
Total Bill Impact (750 kWh)		0.003%	0.002%	0.005%	0.000%	-0.007%
Typical Hydro One GS<50kW		\$0.009	\$0.007	\$0.016	\$(0.001)	\$(0.022)
Customer Total Bill Impact (2000 kWh)		0.002%	0.002%	0.004%	0.000%	-0.005%

Note: B2M LP's rates revenue requirement impacts reflect its share of the transmission rates revenue requirement in UTRs.

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#### 1 6.0 CONCLUSION

- 2 B2M LP's Application balances the needs of its system and assets and allows it to operate
- and maintain these assets in accordance with reliability standards and satisfy regulatory,
- 4 environmental, and legal requirements.

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- 6 B2M LP operates under unique circumstances when considering its corporate structure,
- asset holdings, and operating and management arrangements. Over the five-year term,
- 8 this Application, as proposed, will mitigate the company's challenges and ensure that B2M
- 9 LP's assets are managed effectively to benefit electricity customers across Ontario.

#### REVENUE REQUIREMENT FRAMEWORK SUMMARY

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW

B2M LP proposes to set its revenue requirement for a five-year period using a forecast of OM&A and capital (including tax) costs for each of the five years. Customer protection mechanisms such as an earnings sharing mechanism (ESM) and off-ramps are proposed. Consistent with the OEB's *Handbook for Utility Rate Applications* (the Handbook), cost of capital is proposed to be fixed at 2025 levels subject only to one update to the cost of long-term debt.<sup>1</sup>

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B2M LP understands that the OEB's Renewed Regulatory Framework (RRF), as most recently set out in the Handbook, provides that electricity transmitters are to choose either Custom IR or a Revenue Cap IR.<sup>2</sup> However, the RRF was not conceived for a single-asset utility such as B2M LP. B2M LP believes that its proposal has a number of benefits:

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 it considers the appropriate framework for single-asset utilities with a declining rate base, providing transparency to ratepayers and lower potential for overearning than a revenue cap index framework, especially in the later years of a rate period; and

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 it provides appropriate protection for ratepayers and does not disincentivize productivity.

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Each of the above is discussed below.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As detailed in Exhibit G-01-01.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Handbook page 24.

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# 1.1 CONSIDERATION OF THE MOST APPROPRIATE REVENUE REQUIREMENT FRAMEWORK FOR B2M AS A SINGLE-ASSET UTILITY

In developing its Application, B2M LP considered whether revenue cap index frameworks are appropriate for a single-asset utility such as B2M LP. Single-asset utilities, such as B2M LP, typically have few, if any, capital expenditures in the years following the in-service of the new asset and their rate base declines over time. As a result, a revenue cap index framework, whereby the revenue requirement is updated each year by a factor based of inflation minus a productivity factor, may result in overearning for a single-asset utility. On the other hand, single-asset utilities have unique expense trajectories, such as income tax, that may cause costs to vary substantially year over year.

To address this dynamic, B2M LP is proposing the approach set out herein for its 2025-2029 revenue requirement. B2M LP believes that this approach will provide greater transparency to ratepayers in respect of its costs over the 2025-2029 period and will allow for its revenue requirement to be directly tied to its forecast costs over the entire period. Protections for ratepayers, including an explanation of why this proposal does not disincentivize productivity, are discussed in the section below.

# 1.2 FRAMEWORK PROVIDES APPROPRIATE PROTECTION FOR RATEPAYERS

B2M LP's proposal provides appropriate protection for ratepayers for a number of reasons, each of which is discussed in this section.

#### 1.2.1 THE APPROACH DOES NOT DISCOURAGE PRODUCTIVITY

As B2M LP has explained in its previous revenue requirement applications, B2M LP has few, if any opportunities to unilaterally achieve productivity improvements, regardless of the revenue requirement framework under which it is operating at any given time.

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- B2M LP owns and operates a single 500kV transmission line that is about 15 years old and has an expected service life of over 80 years. As these assets are new, they require lower OM&A in comparison to other transmitters, and no capital expenditures are forecasted during the rate period;
- Given that there are no forecast capital expenditures, B2M LP's main controllable costs are maintenance and a small amount of administration. These costs are a small fraction of total costs and are significantly less than the non-controllable portions of B2M LP's costs (Cost of Capital, Depreciation, Income Tax, Operations, Corporate Allocation). As a result, it is only in respect of a modest portion of OM&A costs that productivity can be achieved. Even in respect of the controllable portion of maintenance and administration costs:
  - B2M LP's management and work programs are provided by a service level agreement, resulting in minimal overhead as well as qualified and flexible resources when needed, allowing B2M LP to remain cost efficient; and
  - B2M LP's service level agreement integrates HONI's productivity improvements into B2M LP's maintenance operations.

As a result of the above, B2M LP receives the benefit of HONI's productivity improvements in B2M LP's maintenance operations, regardless of the regulatory framework under which B2M LP operates.

#### 1.2.2 PROTECTIONS FOR RATEPAYERS

B2M LP is proposing the following additional features in this Application to align its interests with those of customers and to provide an additional element of protection for customers.

#### EARNINGS SHARING MECHANISM (ESM)

Although significant overearning is not expected, B2M LP proposes to share, with customers, 50% of any earnings that exceed the OEB-allowed regulatory return on

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- equity (ROE) by more than 100 basis points in any year of the five-year term. The
- customer share of the earnings will be adjusted for any tax impacts and will be credited
- to the ESM deferral account for clearance at the time of B2M LP's next rebasing, as
- 4 further described in Exhibit H-01-01.

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#### Z-FACTOR

- <sub>7</sub> B2M LP is proposing, consistent with the Handbook, that the OEB's Z-factor mechanism
- be available over the term of this five-year Application. The criteria that would apply to
- 9 the use of the Z-factor mechanism are those outlined by the OEB in Chapter 2 of the
- Filing Requirements for Electricity Transmission Applications, section 2.8.12.

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- Events that may necessitate the use of the Z-factor mechanism include:
  - Extreme weather events, such as storms;
  - Investments that are government-mandated or otherwise outside of management's control;
- Changes to IESO market rules;
  - Changes to OEB codes, policies or other directions;
  - Changes to accounting frameworks or technical standards;
  - Changes to government policy, legislation, or regulation, such as environmental laws; and
    - Any other one-time or ongoing event that meets the Z-factor criteria.

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#### OFF-RAMPS

- B2M LP proposes to apply the OEB's existing off-ramp mechanism, a trigger mechanism with an annual return on equity dead band of plus or minus 300 basis points,<sup>3</sup> at which point a regulatory review of the revenue requirement arising from B2M LP's five-year
- 27 Application may be initiated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Chapter 3 of Filing Requirements for Electricity Distribution Rate Applications, section 3.2.10.

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#### PERFORMANCE METRICS

As detailed in Exhibit D-1-1, B2M LP is proposing several performance measures which align with RRF outcomes. These measures protect customers by providing transparency in respect of the performance of B2M LP's assets. They allow for verification that the assets are operated within the expected parameters and continue to serve the electricity consumers of Ontario effectively.

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#### 2.0 ANNUAL UPDATE APPLICATIONS WILL NOT BE REQUIRED

As a result of B2M LP's proposed approach, annual updates to set the revenue requirements for 2026-2029 will not be required. Only one update is proposed to the cost of long-term debt in 2025 as detailed in Exhibit G-01-01 of this Application. Once the 2025 update for cost of long-term debt is complete (impacting 2026-2029 revenue requirements), B2M LP's 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029 revenue requirements will be final. As a result, the OEB can use these final revenue requirements approved to set 2026, 2027, 2028 and 2029 UTRs. B2M LP believes its proposal helps advance regulatory efficiency by eliminating the need for annual updates.

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#### **DESCRIPTION OF THE PARTNERSHIP**

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B2M Limited Partnership (B2M LP) is a limited partnership formed under the laws of Ontario. B2M LP owns one 500kV double circuit high-voltage transmission line running from just east of the Bruce Nuclear Generating Station to just west of Hydro One Networks Inc.'s Milton Switching Station. These circuits are referred to as B560V and B561M. The business carried out by B2M LP is the provision of electricity transmission service in Ontario.

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B2M LP is a partnership between Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships Inc. (HOIP)<sup>1</sup>; Hydro One Networks Inc. (HONI); and Saugeen Ojibway Nation Finance Corporation (SON FC), a corporation owned by, and the nominee of, the Chippewas of Saugeen First Nation and Chippewas of Nawash First Nation.

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HOIP is the general partner and is responsible for ensuring that the transmission assets owned by B2M LP are operated and maintained in accordance with all applicable regulatory standards and HONI's maintenance and operating practices through a comprehensive services agreement, as further outlined in Exhibit F-03-01. The agreement mandates that HONI shall ensure that all applicable OEB licence, code and rule requirements are observed.

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The organization chart for the B2M LP ownership structure is set out below.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The subsidiary of Hydro One Inc. now known as HOIP was previously named Hydro One B2M GP Inc. The name of this subsidiary was changed in 2018.

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Figure 1: Organization Chart for the B2M LP Ownership Structure

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#### FINANCIAL INFORMATION

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#### 1.0 ACCOUNTING STANDARD

- In 2015, B2M LP received approval to use United States Generally Accepted Accounting
- 5 Principles (US GAAP) for purposes of rate setting, regulatory accounting and regulatory
- 6 reporting for its transmission business.

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- 8 In Hydro One's 2023 to 2027 Custom IR application (EB-2021-0110), Hydro One was
- approved to continue using US GAAP as the basis of accounting for regulatory purposes.<sup>1</sup>

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- B2M LP continues to apply US GAAP for purposes of rate setting, regulatory accounting and regulatory reporting for its transmission business, consistent with the accounting
- standard approved for Hydro One.

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#### 2.0 CHANGES TO ACCOUNTING POLICIES

In keeping with good corporate governance, B2M LP reviews and, if appropriate, revises its policies and procedures from time to time.

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No accounting policy changes have been made that impact the 2025-2029 rate base or revenue requirements since the OEB's review of B2M LP's transmission revenue requirements and rates for 2020-2024 (EB-2019-0178).

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#### 3.0 OTHER SUPPORTING FINANCIAL INFORMATION

- As B2M LP's debt is managed and rated under Hydro One Networks, there are no rating agency reports, prospectuses or information circulars that are specific to B2M LP. Please see EB-2021-0110, Exhibit A-06-03, Attachments 1 to 3, and Exhibit A-06-05, Attachment 1 for such information that was filed for Hydro One Networks in its 2023 to 2027 Custom
- 28 IR proceeding.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> EB-2021-0110, Hydro One Networks Inc., Decision on Settlement Proposal and Order on Rates, Revenue Requirement and Charge Determinants, November 29, 2022.

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- Hydro One Limited's most recent annual report, which includes its 2023 Management's
- 2 Discussion and Analysis and Consolidated Financial Statements, is included at the link
- з below:
  - 2023 Annual Report

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#### 4.0 EXISTING ACCOUNTING ORDERS

- As per the Chapter 2 Filing Requirements for Transmitters, B2M LP has attached its
- 8 existing accounting orders approved in prior proceedings.
- Tax changes
- Forgone revenue
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Further information on the regulatory accounts is described in Exhibit H-01-01.

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#### **APPENDIX A**

# B2M LP TRANSMISSION

# EB-2015-0026 DECISION AND RATE ORDER TAX RATE AND RULE CHANGES ACCOUNTING ORDER

**JANUARY 14, 2016** 

# Transmission Accounting Order Tax Rate and Rule Changes Variance Account

B2M Limited Partnership will establish a new tax variance account, "Tax Rate and Rule Changes Variance Account". The account would track the impact of:

- Differences that result from a legislative or regulatory change to the tax rates or rules compared to costs approved by the Board as part of 2015 to 2019 Transmission Rates; and
- Differences that result from a change in or a disclosure of, a new assessment or administrative policy that is published in the public tax administration or interpretation bulletins by relevant federal or provincial tax authorities.

The variance would be recorded in account 1592 – PILs and Tax Variances for 2006 and Subsequent Years. This is in accordance with the guidance provided in the Accounting Procedures Handbook.

B2M Limited Partnership proposes to establish the new account effective January 1, 2015 for the test years 2015 - 2019.

B2M Limited Partnership will record interest on any balance in the account using the interest rates set by the Board. Simple interest would be calculated on the opening monthly balance of the account until the balance is fully disposed.

#### **Proposed Accounting Entries**

USofA # Account Description

#### Tax Rate and Rule Changes Variance Account

Dr/Cr: 6110 Income Taxes

Dr/Cr: 2294 Accrual for Taxes, "Payment in Lieu of Taxes", etc.
To record preliminary recognition of impact of Tax Rate and/or Rule Changes.

Dr/Cr: 6110 Income Taxes

Dr/Cr: 1592 PILs and Tax Variances for 2006 and Subsequent Years To record the variance between Board-approved and actual Taxes. This entry reverses the impact of the Tax Rate/Rule Change booked in the entry above.

Dr/Cr: 1592 PILs and Tax Variances for 2006 and Subsequent Years

Dr/Cr: 6035 Other Interest Expense

To record interest improvement on the principal balance of the Tax Rate and Rule Changes Variance Account.

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# Appendix B Decision and Order B2M Limited Partnership

EB-2016-0349

**Dated: June 29, 2017** 

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#### PROPOSED ACCOUNTING ENTRIES

This account records the differences between revenue earned by B2M LP under the interim 2017 rates set at the 2016 Uniform Transmission Rates (UTR) level, and the revenues that would have been received under the approved 2017 UTR. The account will capture the foregone revenue from January 1, 2017 to the date when the approved 2017 UTR are reflected in the revenue earned by B2M LP. The accounting entries to be recorded are as follows:

USofA #	Account Description
Dr: 1508	Other Regulatory Assets – Sub account "Forgone Revenue Deferral Account"
Cr: 4110	Transmission Services Revenue

To record the differences between revenue earned by B2M LP under the interim 2017 rates and the revenues that would have been received under the approved 2017 UTR.

USofA #	Account Description
Dr: 1508	Other Regulatory Assets – Sub account "Forgone Revenue Deferral Account"
Cr: 6035	Other Interest Expense

To record interest improvement on the principal balance of the "Forgone Revenue Deferral Account".

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#### **ACCOUNTING ORDER**

In the Decision, the OEB directed B2M LP to provide a draft Accounting Order for the Earning Sharing Mechanism (ESM) Deferral Account. To comply with the OEB's direction, B2M LP has provided the draft accounting order in Exhibit 4.1.

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#### **Transmission Accounting Order – ESM Deferral Account**

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The "Earnings Sharing Mechanism ("ESM") Deferral Account" shall record 50% of earnings that exceed the regulatory return on equity (ROE) reflected in this Application by more than 100 basis points in any year of the five-year term through B2M LP's transmission revenue. B2M LP shall use a methodology which is similar to what is outlined in the annual RRR 2.1.5.6 filing. The calculation of actual ROE shall use the OEB approved mid-year rate base for that period. The ROE calculation shall be normalized for revenue impacting items such as entries that are recorded in the year which relate to prior years to normalize the in-year net income. The portion of B2M LP owned by Hydro One is subject to tax - this cost will be included as part of the calculation of ROE.

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The account will be established as Account 2435, Accrued Rate-Payer Benefit effective January 1, 2020. B2M LP shall record interest on any balance in the sub-account using the interest rates set by the OEB. Simple interest will be calculated on the opening monthly balance of the account until the balance is fully disposed.

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The following outlines the proposed accounting entries for this deferral account.

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#### 21 USofA # Account Description

22 DR: 4395 Rate-Payer Benefit Including Interest

23 CR: 2435 Accrued Rate-Payer Benefit

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Initial entry to record the over-earnings realized in any year of the five-year term.

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#### **USofA** # Account Description

28 DR: 4395 Rate-Payer Benefit Including Interest

29 CR: 2435 Accrued Rate Payer Benefit

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To record interest improvement on principal balance of ESM deferral account.

Witness: Jeffrey Smith; Samir Chhelavda

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#### **B2M LP FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - HISTORICAL YEARS**

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Attachment 1: 2023 B2M LP Financial Statements

Attachment 2: 2022 B2M LP Financial Statements

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# B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**DECEMBER 31, 2023** 

### B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Partners of B2M Limited Partnership.

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of B2M Limited Partnership (the Entity), which comprise:

- the balance sheet as at December 31, 2023;
- the statement of operations and comprehensive income for the year then ended;
- the statement of partners' equity for the year then ended;
- · the statement of cash flows for the year then ended;
- and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

(Hereinafter referred to as the "financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements as at and for the year ended December 31, 2023 of the Entity are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the financial reporting framework described in Note 2 in the financial statements.

#### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements" section of our auditors' report.

We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter — Financial Reporting Framework

We draw attention to Note 2 in the financial statements, which describes the applicable financial reporting framework and the purpose of the financial statements.

As a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose.

Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting framework described in Note 2 in the financial statements; this includes determining that the applicable financial reporting framework is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

We also:

Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design
and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to
provide a basis for our opinion.

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.



### B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate
  in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Entity's internal
  control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of
  the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our
  audit.

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KPMG LLP

Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

Toronto, Canada

March 14, 2024



# B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

Year ended December 31 (thousands of Canadian dollars)	2023	2022
Revenues (Note 11)	36,590	35,352
Costs		
Operation, maintenance and administration	2,455	1,642
Depreciation and asset removal costs (Note 5)	6,866	6,879
	9,321	8,521
Income before financing charges	27,269	26,831
Financing charges (Notes 4, 11)	6,564	6,823
Net income and comprehensive income	20,705	20,008

See accompanying notes to Financial Statements.



# B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP BALANCE SHEETS

At December 31, 2023 and 2022

As at December 31 (thousands of Canadian dollars)	2023	2022
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	10,995	10,133
Inter-company receivable (Note 11)	5,212	5,373
Accounts receivable (Note 11)	2,944	2,907
Other assets	30	25
	19,181	18,438
Long-term assets:		
Property, plant and equipment (Note 6)	465,190	472,056
Total assets	484,371	490,494
Liabilities		
Current liabilities:		
Inter-company payable (Note 11)	5,688	5,688
Accrued liabilities	364	432
Accrued interest (Note 11)	2,429	2,459
	8,481	8,579
Long-term liabilities:		
Regulatory Liabilities (Note 9)	736	75
Notes payable (Notes 7, 8, 11)	285,419	289,537
Total liabilities	294,636	298,191
Subsequent Events (Note 13)		
Partners' equity (Note 10)	189,735	192,303
Total liabilities and partners' equity	484,371	490,494

See accompanying notes to Financial Statements.

On behalf of Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships Inc., in its capacity as general partner of B2M Limited Partnership:

Christopher Lopez Sole Director



# B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP STATEMENTS OF PARTNERS' EQUITY

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

Year ended December 31, 2023	Class A Units		Class B Units		Total	
(thousands of Canadian dollars, except number of units) (Note 10)	Number of units	Unit value	Number of units	Unit value	Number of units	Unit value
January 1, 2023	188,579,358	172,347	22,000,000	19,956	210,579,358	192,303
Distributions to partners	_	(20,968)	_	(2,305)	_	(23,273)
Net income and comprehensive income	_	18,674	_	2,031	_	20,705
December 31, 2023	188,579,358 170,053		22,000,000	19,682	210,579,358	189,735
Year ended December 31, 2022	Class A U	Inits	Class B U	nits	Total	
Year ended December 31, 2022 (thousands of Canadian dollars, except number of units) (Note 10)	Class A U Number of units	Inits Unit value	Class B U	nits Unit value	Total Number of units	Unit value
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(thousands of Canadian dollars, except number of units) (Note 10)	Number of units	Unit value	Number of units	Unit value	Number of units	Unit value
(thousands of Canadian dollars, except number of units) (Note 10)  January 1, 2022	Number of units	Unit value 172,876	Number of units	Unit value 20,056	Number of units	Unit value 192,932

See accompanying notes to Financial Statements.



# B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

Year ended December 31 (thousands of Canadian dollars)	2023	2022
Operating activities		
Net income	20,705	20,008
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation (Note 5)	6,866	6,865
Regulatory accounts	661	75
Changes in non-cash balances related to operations (Note 12)	(140)	66
Net cash from operating activities	28,092	27,014
Financing activities		
Notes payable repaid	(4,118)	(4,126)
Distributions paid to partners	(9,759)	(7,124)
Cash advances paid to partners	(13,514)	(13,513)
Change in inter-company receivable	161	(24)
Net cash used in financing activities	(27,230)	(24,787)
Investing activities		
Capital expenditures - property, plant and equipment	_	(167)
Net cash used in investing activities	_	(167)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	862	2,060
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	10,133	8,073
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	10,995	10,133

See accompanying notes to Financial Statements.



#### B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022

#### 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE BUSINESS

B2M Limited Partnership (B2M LP or the Partnership) was formed on March 22, 2013, under the laws of the Province of Ontario (Province). B2M LP is 65.71% owned by Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One Networks) and 0.1% owned by Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships Inc. (HOIP or the General Partner), collectively, the Hydro One Partners, and 34.19% owned by the Chippewas of Nawash First Nation and the Chippewas of Saugeen First Nation, collectively referred to as the Saugeen Ojibway Nation (SON). Hydro One Networks and HOIP are wholly-owned subsidiaries of Hydro One Inc. (Hydro One), which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Hydro One Limited.

B2M LP is managed by the General Partner. The General Partner was incorporated on March 22, 2013, under the *Business Corporations Act* (Ontario) under the name of Hydro One B2M LP Inc. and changed its name to Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships Inc. effective November 19, 2019. HOIP was appointed as the new general partner for B2M LP on January 1, 2020 and holds the general partner interests and carries out the general partner responsibilities of B2M LP. On the same day, Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships GP Inc., the prior general partner of B2M LP, was wound up into Hydro One Networks.

The principal business of the Partnership is the operation, management and maintenance of an electricity transmission line (Bruce to Milton Line) in southwestern Ontario, from the Bruce Power facility in Kincardine to Hydro One's Milton Switching Station in the Town of Milton.

The electricity rates of the Partnership are regulated by the Ontario Energy Board (OEB).

#### **Rate Setting**

On July 31, 2019, B2M LP filed a transmission rate application for the 2020 to 2024 period. On January 16, 2020, the OEB approved the 2020 base revenue requirement of \$33 million. The OEB also approved a modified revenue cap escalator index that will be applied to rates for 2021 to 2024.

#### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of Accounting**

These financial statements are prepared and presented in accordance with the accounting policies summarized below and in Canadian dollars. These policies are consistent with United States (US) Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), with the exception that (1) the financial statements were not prepared as though the transfer of the Bruce to Milton Line transmission assets had occurred at the beginning of the year in which the transfer occurred and (2) the comparative year information was not retrospectively adjusted, as required under US GAAP, for common control transactions. These financial statements have been prepared to provide the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Partnership on the basis of the date of the transfer of the Bruce to Milton Line transmission assets on December 16, 2014. As a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for any other purpose.

The Partnership performed an evaluation of subsequent events through to March 14, 2024, the date these financial statements were available to be issued, to determine whether any events or transactions warranted recognition and disclosure in these financial statements. See Note 13 - Subsequent Events.

#### **Use of Management Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, gains and losses during the reporting periods. Management evaluates these estimates on an ongoing basis based upon historical experience, current conditions, and assumptions believed to be reasonable at the time the assumptions are made with any adjustments being recognized in results of operations in the period they arise.



#### **Regulatory Accounting**

The OEB has the general power to include or exclude revenues, costs, gains or losses in the rates of a specific period, resulting in a change in the timing of accounting recognition from that which would have been applied in an unregulated company. Such change in timing involves the application of rate-regulated accounting in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standard Codification Topic 980, Regulated Operations within the Partnership's regulated business, giving rise to the recognition of regulatory assets and liabilities. Regulatory assets generally represent certain amounts receivable from future electricity customers and costs that have been deferred for accounting purposes because it is probable that they will be recovered in future rates. Regulatory liabilities generally represent amounts that are refundable to electricity customers in future rates. The Partnership continually assesses the likelihood of settling its regulatory assets and liabilities and continues to believe that it is probable that the OEB will include them in setting future rates. If, at some future date, the Partnership judges that it is no longer probable that the OEB will include a regulatory asset or liability in setting future rates, the appropriate carrying amount would be reflected in results of operations prospectively from the date the Partnership's assessment is made, unless the change meets the requirements for a subsequent event adjustment.

#### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash and short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

Revenues predominantly consist of transmission tariffs, which are collected through OEB-approved uniform transmission rates (UTRs) which are applied against the monthly peak demand for electricity across the Partnership's high-voltage network. OEB-approved UTRs are based on an approved revenue requirement that includes a rate of return. The transmission tariffs are designed to recover revenues necessary to support the Partnership's transmission system with sufficient capacity to accommodate the maximum expected demand which is influenced by weather and economic conditions. Revenues are recognized as electricity is transmitted and delivered to customers.

#### **Accounts Receivable and Allowance for Doubtful Accounts**

Trade accounts receivable represent earned revenue for electricity transmitted and delivered to customers and receivable from the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO). Trade accounts receivable are recorded at the amount reported by the IESO. No allowance for doubtful accounts is recognized with respect to trade accounts receivable as there is no risk of loss associated with such amounts.

#### **Income Taxes**

B2M LP, as a limited partnership, is not a taxable entity for federal and provincial income tax purposes. Accordingly, no current or deferred tax expenses are recognized in the Partnership's financial statements.

#### Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment is recorded at original cost, net of any accumulated impairment losses. The cost of additions, including betterments and replacement asset components, is included on the balance sheets as property, plant and equipment.

The original cost of property, plant and equipment includes direct materials, direct labour (including employee benefits), contracted services, attributable capitalized financing costs, asset retirement costs, and direct and indirect overheads that are related to the capital project or program. Indirect overheads include a portion of corporate costs such as finance, treasury, human resources, and information technology. Overhead costs, including corporate functions and field services costs, are capitalized on a fully allocated basis, consistent with an OEB-approved methodology.

Transmission assets include those used for the transmission of high-voltage electricity, including transmission lines, support structures, foundations, insulators, connecting hardware and grounding systems.

Easements include rights to use portions of licensed properties of Hydro One Networks for the purpose of operating and maintaining the Bruce to Milton Line transmission assets.



#### Depreciation

The cost of property, plant and equipment is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the estimated remaining service life of each asset category.

The Company periodically initiates an external independent review of its property, plant and equipment and intangible asset depreciation and amortization rates, as required by the OEB. Any changes arising from OEB approval of such a review are implemented on a remaining service life basis, consistent with their inclusion in electricity rates. The most recent reviews resulted in changes to rates effective January 1, 2020. The average service life and depreciation rates for the Partnership's assets are as follows:

Average Service Life	77
Depreciation Rates - Range	1.0% - 4.2%
Depreciation Rates - Average	1.3%

In accordance with group depreciation practices, the original cost of property, plant and equipment, or major components thereof, that are normally retired, is charged to accumulated depreciation with no gain or loss being reflected in results of operations. Where a disposition of property, plant and equipment occurs through sale, a gain or loss is calculated based on proceeds and such gain or loss is included in depreciation expense.

#### **Long-Lived Asset Impairment**

When circumstances indicate the carrying value of long-lived assets may not be recoverable, the Partnership evaluates whether the carrying value of such assets has been impaired. For such long-lived assets, the Partnership evaluates whether impairment may exist by estimating future estimated undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the asset. When alternative courses of action to recover the carrying amount of a long-lived asset are under consideration, a probability-weighted approach is used to develop estimates of future undiscounted cash flows. If the carrying value of the long-lived asset is not recoverable based on the estimated future undiscounted cash flows, an impairment loss is recorded, measured as the excess of the carrying value of the asset over its fair value. As a result, the asset's carrying value is adjusted to its estimated fair value.

The carrying costs of B2M LP's long-lived assets are included in rate base where they earn an OEB-approved rate of return. Asset carrying values and the related return are recovered through approved rates. As a result, such assets are only tested for impairment in the event that the OEB disallows recovery, in whole or in part, or if such a disallowance is judged to be probable. As at December 31, 2023, no asset impairment had been recorded.

#### **Financial Assets and Liabilities**

All financial assets and liabilities are classified into one of the following five categories: held-to-maturity; loans and receivables; held-for-trading; other liabilities; or available-for-sale. Financial assets and liabilities classified as held-for-trading are measured at fair value. All other financial assets and liabilities are measured at amortized cost. Accounts receivable and inter-company receivable are classified as loans and receivables. The Partnership considers the carrying amount of accounts receivable and inter-company receivable to be a reasonable estimate of fair value because of the short time to maturity of these instruments. No allowance for doubtful accounts is recognized with respect to all accounts receivable as there is no risk of loss associated with such amounts. All financial instrument transactions are recorded at trade date.

The Partnership determines the classification of its financial assets and liabilities at the date of initial recognition. The Partnership designates certain of its financial assets and liabilities to be held at fair value, when it is consistent with the Partnership's risk management policy disclosed in Note 8 - Fair Value of Financial Instruments and Risk Management.

#### 3. NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

The following tables present Accounting Standard Updates (ASUs) issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board that are applicable to B2M LP:

#### **Recently Adopted Accounting Guidance**

Guidance	Date issued	Description	Effective date	Impact
ASU 2022-02	March 2022	The amendments eliminate the troubled debt restructuring accounting model for entities that have adopted Topic 326 Financial Instrument – Credit Losses and modifies the guidance on vintage disclosure requirements to require disclosure of current-period gross write-offs by year of origination.	January 1, 2023	No impact upon adoption



#### 4. FINANCING CHARGES

As at December 31 (thousands of dollars)	2023	2022
Interest on notes payable	6,837	6,920
Interest income	(277)	(94)
Other	4	(3)
	6,564	6,823

#### 5. DEPRECIATION AND ASSET REMOVAL COSTS

Year ended December 31 (thousands of dollars)	2023	2022
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	6,866	6,865
Asset removal costs	_	14
	6,866	6,879

#### 6. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

As at December 31, 2023 (thousands of dollars)	Property, Plant and Equipment	Accumulated Depreciation	Total
Transmission	432,393	55,058	377,335
Easements	96,721	8,866	87,855
	529,114	63,924	465,190

As at December 31, 2022 (thousands of dollars)	Property, Plant and Equipment	Accumulated Depreciation	Total
Transmission	432,393	49,147	383,246
Easements	96,721	7,911	88,810
	529,114	57,058	472,056

#### 7. NOTES PAYABLE

Notes payable consist of promissory notes payable to B2M Trust, a subsidiary of Hydro One. The following table presents the balances of the promissory notes at December 31, 2023 and 2022:

As at December 31 (thousands of dollars)	2023	2022
1.78% note payable due February 2025	89,639	93,483
Floating-rate note payable due February 2025 <sup>1</sup>	19,032	19,306
2.18% note payable due February 2030	100,380	100,380
2.73% note payable due February 2050	76,368	76,368
	285.419	289.537

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The interest rate is the 2020 OEB approved short-term debt rate of 2.75% (2022 - 2.75%).

In 2023, B2M LP repaid promissory notes totaling \$4,118 thousand (2022 - \$4,126 thousand). No promissory notes were issued in 2023 and 2022.

#### 8. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

Fair value is considered to be the exchange price in an orderly transaction between market participants to sell an asset or transfer a liability at the measurement date. The fair value definition focuses on an exit price, which is the price that would be received in the sale of an asset or the amount that would be paid to transfer a liability.

The Partnership classifies its fair value measurements based on the following hierarchy, as prescribed by the accounting guidance for fair value, which prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three levels:

Level 1 inputs are unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities the Partnership has the ability to access. An active market for the asset or liability is one in which transactions for the asset or liability occur with sufficient frequency and volume to provide ongoing pricing information.

Level 2 inputs are those other than quoted market prices that are observable, either directly or indirectly, for an asset or liability. Level 2 inputs include, but are not limited to, quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in an active market, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active and inputs other than quoted market prices that are



observable for the asset or liability, such as interest rate curves and yield curves observable at commonly quoted intervals, volatilities, credit risk and default rates. A Level 2 measurement cannot have more than an insignificant portion of the valuation based on unobservable inputs.

Level 3 inputs are any fair value measurements that include unobservable inputs for the asset or liability for more than an insignificant portion of the valuation. A Level 3 measurement may be based primarily on Level 2 inputs.

#### **Non-Derivative Financial Assets and Liabilities**

At December 31, 2023 and 2022, the Partnership's carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, inter-company receivable, and inter-company payable are representative of fair value due to the short-term nature of these instruments.

#### **Fair Value Hierarchy**

The fair value hierarchy of financial liabilities at December 31, 2023 and 2022 is as follows:

As at December 31, 2023 (thousands of dollars)	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Liabilities:					
Notes payable	285,419	251,996	_	251,996	_
As at December 31, 2022 (thousands of dollars)	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Liabilities:					

The fair values of the fixed-rate notes payable are based on unadjusted period-end market prices for the same or similar debt of the same remaining maturity. The fair values of the floating-rate notes payable are the same as the carrying values because the interest rates are referenced to the OEB demand short-term and long-term debt rates.

There were no transfers between any of the fair value levels during the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

#### **Risk Management**

Exposure to market risk, credit risk and liquidity risk arises in the normal course of the Partnership's business.

#### Market Risk

Market risk refers primarily to the risk of loss which results from changes in values, foreign exchange rates and interest rates. The Partnership is exposed to fluctuations in interest rates as its regulated return on equity is derived using a formulaic approach that takes anticipated interest rates into account. The Partnership's regulated return on equity has been approved until 2024. The Partnership is not currently exposed to commodity price risk or foreign exchange risk.

A hypothetical 100 basis point increase in interest rates associated with variable-rate debt would have resulted in no significant impact to the Partnership's net income for the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022.

#### Credit Risk

Financial assets create a risk that a counterparty will fail to discharge an obligation, causing a financial loss. At December 31, 2023 and 2022, all of the trades accounts receivable was recorded as a result of earning revenues from the IESO. The Partnership does not recognize allowance for doubtful accounts with respect to trade accounts receivable from the IESO as there is no risk of loss associated with such amounts.

#### Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk refers to the Partnership's ability to meet its financial obligations as they come due. The Partnership meets its short-term liquidity requirements through cash and cash equivalents on hand, funds from operations, and inter-company receivable and inter-company payable with Hydro One. The short-term liquidity available to the Partnership should be sufficient to fund normal operating requirements.

#### 9. REGULATORY LIABILITIES

Regulatory liabilities arise as a result of the rate-setting process. B2M LP has recorded the following liabilities:

As at December 31 (thousands of dollars)	2023	2022
Regulatory liabilities:		
Earnings sharing mechanism deferral account	736	75
Total regulatory liabilities	736	75



#### **Earnings Sharing Mechanism Deferral**

In January 2020, the OEB accepted B2M LP's Settlement Proposal for 2020-2024 Transmission Rates, which included the establishment of an earnings sharing mechanism deferral account to record over-earnings including tax impacts, if any, realized for any year from 2020 to 2024. Under this mechanism, B2M LP shares 50% of regulated earnings that exceed the OEB-approved regulatory return-on-equity by more than 100 basis points with ratepayers. This account is asymmetrical to the benefit of ratepayers.

#### 10. PARTNERS' EQUITY

B2M LP is authorized to issue an unlimited number of Class A and Class B units. The Class A and Class B units are voting and participate equally in profits, losses and capital distributions of B2M LP. The Class A and Class B units are equal with respect to all rights, benefits obligations and limitations provided under the Limited Partnership Agreement. Any units issued by B2M LP must be first offered to the existing partners in proportion to their ownership interests. At December 31, 2023 and 2022, B2M LP had 188,579,358 Class A units issued and outstanding, and 22,000,000 Class B units issued and outstanding.

As the SON is a tax exempt entity, the amount of income or loss corresponding to taxes recovered in transmission rates is allocated to the taxable partners, Hydro One Partners, and the remaining balance is allocated to all partners in proportion to their ownership interests.

At December 31, 2023 and 2022, partners' equity was allocated to the SON and the Hydro One Partners as follows:

Year ended December 31, 2023 (thousands of dollars, except number of units)	SON	Hydro One Partners	Total
Class A Units			
Class A - number of units - December 31, 2023	50,000,000	138,579,358	188,579,358
Class A unit value - January 1, 2023	45,352	126,995	172,347
Distributions to partners	(5,240)	(15,728)	(20,968)
Net income and comprehensive income	4,617	14,057	18,674
Class A unit value - December 31, 2023	44,729	125,324	170,053
Class B Units			
Class B - number of units - December 31, 2023	22,000,000	_	22,000,000
Class B unit value - January 1, 2023	19,956	_	19,956
Distributions to partners	(2,305)	_	(2,305)
Net income and comprehensive income	2,031	_	2,031
Class B unit value - December 31, 2023	19,682	_	19,682
Total partners' equity			
Number of units - December 31, 2023	72,000,000	138,579,358	210,579,358
Partners' equity - January 1, 2023	65,308	126,995	192,303
Distributions to partners	(7,545)	(15,728)	(23,273)
Net income and comprehensive income	6,648	14,057	20,705
Partners' equity - December 31, 2023	64,411	125,324	189,735



Year ended December 31, 2022 (thousands of dollars, except number of units)	SON	Hydro One Partners	Total
Class A Units			
Class A - number of units - December 31, 2022	50,000,000	138,579,358	188,579,358
Class A unit value - January 1, 2022	45,581	127,295	172,876
Distributions to partners	(4,692)	(13,881)	(18,573)
Net income and comprehensive income	4,463	13,581	18,044
Class A unit value - December 31, 2022	45,352	126,995	172,347
Class B Units Class B - number of units - December 31, 2022	22,000,000	_	22,000,000
Class B unit value - January 1, 2022	20,056	_	20,056
Distributions to partners	(2,064)	_	(2,064)
Net income and comprehensive income	1,964	_	1,964
Class B unit value - December 31, 2022	19,956	_	19,956
Total partners' equity Number of units - December 31, 2022	72,000,000	138,579,358	210,579,358
Partners' equity - January 1, 2022	65,637	127,295	192,932
Distributions to partners	(6,756)	(13,881)	(20,637)
Net income and comprehensive income	6,427	13,581	20,008
Partners' equity - December 31, 2022	65,308	126,995	192,303

#### 11. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Partnership is 65.81% indirectly owned by Hydro One and 34.19% owned by the SON. Hydro One is owned by Hydro One Limited. The Province is a shareholder of Hydro One Limited with approximately 47.14% (2022 - 47.20%) ownership at December 31, 2023. The IESO is a related party to the Partnership because it is controlled or significantly influenced by the Province. The following is a summary of the Partnership's related party transactions during the years ended December 31, 2023 and 2022:

Year ended December 3	31 (thousands of dollars)
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B2M Trust         Notes payable repaid         4,118         4,12           Interest expense on notes payable         6,837         6,92           Hydro One Networks         Distributions and cash advances paid         15,704         13,86           Services received - costs incurred         2,396         1,70	Related Party	Transaction	2023	2022
Hydro One Networks Distributions and cash advances paid Services received - costs incurred 6,837 6,92 1,70	IESO	Revenues for transmission services	36,590	35,352
Hydro One NetworksDistributions and cash advances paid15,70413,86Services received - costs incurred2,3961,70	B2M Trust	Notes payable repaid	4,118	4,126
Services received - costs incurred 2,396 1,70		Interest expense on notes payable	6,837	6,920
	Hydro One Networks	Distributions and cash advances paid	15,704	13,860
HOIPDistributions and cash advances paid242		Services received - costs incurred	2,396	1,702
	HOIP	Distributions and cash advances paid	24	22
SONDistributions and cash advances paid7,5456,75	SON	Distributions and cash advances paid	7,545	6,756

The amounts due to and from related parties at December 31, 2023 and 2022 are as follows:

As at December 31 (thousands of dollars)	2023	2022
Accounts receivable <sup>1</sup>	2,944	2,907
Inter-company receivable <sup>2</sup>	5,212	5,373
Inter-company payable <sup>2</sup>	5,688	5,688
Notes payable, including current portion	285,419	289,537
Accrued interest	2,429	2,459

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Entire accounts receivable balance is due from the IESO.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Amounts due to or from Hydro One and its subsidiaries, Hydro One Networks and HOIP, by the Partnership are included in the inter-company receivable and inter-company payable balances, and include expenses paid and amounts collected by Hydro One and its subsidiaries that relate to the Partnership.

#### 12. STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

The changes in non-cash balances related to operations consist of the following:

Year ended December 31 (thousands of dollars)	2023	2022
Accounts receivable	(37)	100
Other assets	(5)	(7)
Accrued liabilities	(68)	2
Accrued interest	(30)	(29)
	(140)	66

#### 13. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

#### **Cash Advances**

On January 8, 2024, cash advances in the amount of \$4,505 thousand were paid to partners, of which \$4,046 thousand and \$459 thousand were paid to Class A and Class B unit holders, respectively.



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# B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

**DECEMBER 31, 2022** 

### B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

To the Partners of B2M Limited Partnership.

#### Opinion

We have audited the financial statements of B2M Limited Partnership (the Entity), which comprise:

- the balance sheet as at December 31, 2022;
- the statement of operations and comprehensive income for the year then ended;
- the statement of partners' equity for the year then ended;
- · the statement of cash flows for the year then ended;
- and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

(Hereinafter referred to as the "financial statements").

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements as at and for the year ended December 31, 2022 of the Entity are prepared, in all material respects, in accordance with the financial reporting framework described in Note 2 in the financial statements.

#### Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the "Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements" section of our auditors' report.

We are independent of the Entity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Emphasis of Matter - Financial Reporting Framework

We draw attention to Note 2 in the financial statements, which describes the applicable financial reporting framework and the purpose of the financial statements.

As a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for another purpose.

Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the financial reporting framework described in Note 2 in the financial statements; this includes determining that the applicable financial reporting framework is an acceptable basis for the preparation of the financial statements in the circumstances, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Entity or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Entity's financial reporting process.

Auditors' Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditors' report that includes our opinion.

Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists.

Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of the financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit.

We also:

Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error, design
and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to
provide a basis for our opinion.

The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.



### B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate
  in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Entity's internal
  control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Entity's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditors' report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditors' report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Entity to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of
  the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our
  audit.

Chartered Professional Accountants, Licensed Public Accountants

Toronto, Canada

KPMG LLP

March 23, 2023

# B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

Year ended December 31 (thousands of Canadian dollars)	2022	2021
Revenues (Notes 8, 10)	35,352	33,702
Costs		
Operation, maintenance and administration	1,642	1,984
Depreciation and asset removal costs (Note 4)	6,879	6,901
	8,521	8,885
Income before financing charges	26,831	24,817
Financing charges (Note 10)	6,823	6,981
Net income and comprehensive income	20,008	17,836

See accompanying notes to Financial Statements.



# B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP BALANCE SHEETS At December 31, 2022 and 2021

As at December 31 (thousands of Canadian dollars)	2022	2021
Assets		
Current assets:		
Cash and cash equivalents	10,133	8,073
Inter-company receivable (Note 10)	5,373	5,349
Accounts receivable (Notes 10)	2,907	3,007
Other assets	25	18
	18,438	16,447
Long-term assets:		
Property, plant and equipment (Note 5)	472,056	478,754
Total assets	490,494	495,201
Liabilities		
Current liabilities:		
Inter-company payable (Note 10)	5,688	5,688
Accrued liabilities	432	430
Accrued interest (Note 10)	2,459	2,488
	8,579	8,606
Long-term liabilities:		
Regulatory Liabilities (Note 8)	75	_
Notes payable (Notes 6, 7, 10)	289,537	293,663
Total liabilities	298,191	302,269
Subsequent Events (Note 12)		
Partners' equity (Note 9)	192,303	192,932
Total liabilities and partners' equity	490,494	495,201

See accompanying notes to Financial Statements.

On behalf of Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships Inc., in its capacity as general partner of B2M Limited Partnership:

Christopher Lopez Sole Director



# **B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP** STATEMENTS OF PARTNERS' EQUITY

For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

Year ended December 31, 2022	Class A U	nits	Class B U	nits	Total	
(thousands of Canadian dollars, except number of units) (Note 9)	Number of units	Unit value	Number of units	Unit value	Number of units	Unit value
January 1, 2022	188,579,358	172,876	22,000,000	20,056	210,579,358	192,932
Distributions to partners	_	(18,573)	_	(2,064)	_	(20,637)
Net income and comprehensive income	_	18,044	_	1,964	_	20,008
December 31, 2022	188,579,358	172,347	22,000,000	19,956	210,579,358	192,303
Year ended December 31, 2021	Class A U	nits	Class B U	nits	Total	
(thousands of Canadian dollars, except number of units) (Note 9)	Number of units	Unit value	Number of units	Unit value	Number of units	Unit value
January 1, 2021	188,579,358	175,085	22,000,000	20,325	210,579,358	195,410
Distributions to partners	_	(18,273)	_	(2,041)	_	(20,314)
Net income and comprehensive income	_	16,064	_	1,772	_	17,836
December 31, 2021	188,579,358	172.876	22.000.000	20.056	210.579.358	192.932

See accompanying notes to Financial Statements.



# B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

Year ended December 31 (thousands of Canadian dollars)	2022	2021
Operating activities		_
Net income	20,008	17,836
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation (Note 4)	6,865	6,859
Regulatory accounts	75	2,032
Changes in non-cash balances related to operations (Note 11)	66	(249)
Net cash from operating activities	27,014	26,478
Financing activities		
Notes payable repaid	(4,126)	(6,278)
Distributions paid to partners	(7,124)	(6,800)
Cash advances paid to partners	(13,513)	(13,514)
Change in inter-company receivable	(24)	43
Net cash used in financing activities	(24,787)	(26,549)
Investing activities		
Capital expenditures - property, plant and equipment	(167)	(499)
Net cash used in investing activities	(167)	(499)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents	2,060	(570)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	8,073	8,643
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	10,133	8,073

See accompanying notes to Financial Statements.



# B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

#### 1. DESCRIPTION OF THE BUSINESS

B2M Limited Partnership (B2M LP or the Partnership) was formed on March 22, 2013, under the laws of the Province of Ontario (Province). B2M LP is 65.71% owned by Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One Networks) and 0.1% owned by Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships Inc. (HOIP or the General Partner), collectively, the Hydro One Partners, and 34.19% owned by the Chippewas of Nawash First Nation and the Chippewas of Saugeen First Nation, collectively referred to as the Saugeen Ojibway Nation (SON). Hydro One Networks and HOIP are wholly-owned subsidiaries of Hydro One Inc. (Hydro One), which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Hydro One Limited.

B2M LP is managed by the General Partner. The General Partner was incorporated on March 22, 2013, under the *Business Corporations Act* (Ontario) under the name of Hydro One B2M LP Inc. and changed its name to Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships Inc. effective November 19, 2019. HOIP was appointed as the new general partner for B2M LP on January 1, 2020 and holds the general partner interests and carries out the general partner responsibilities of B2M LP. On the same day, Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships GP Inc., the prior general partner of B2M LP, was wound up into Hydro One Networks.

The principal business of the Partnership is the operation, management and maintenance of an electricity transmission line (Bruce to Milton Line) in southwestern Ontario, from the Bruce Power facility in Kincardine to Hydro One's Milton Switching Station in the Town of Milton.

The electricity rates of the Partnership are regulated by the Ontario Energy Board (OEB).

#### **Rate Setting**

On July 31, 2019, B2M LP filed a transmission rate application for 2020-2024. On January 16, 2020, the OEB approved the 2020 base revenue requirement of \$33,250 thousand, and a revenue cap escalator index for 2021 to 2024.

On November 26, 2020, the OEB issued its decision approving B2M LP's revenue cap index adjustment application for 2021 base revenue requirement of \$33,025 thousand beginning January 1, 2021. On December 17, 2020, the OEB issued its decision for Uniform Transmission Rates which included the approval of a one-year disposition period for B2M LP's 2020 foregone revenue including interest, beginning on January 1, 2021. This resulted in a 2021 rates revenue requirement of \$33,652 thousand.

On December 16, 2021, the OEB approved B2M LP's revenue cap index adjustment application for 2022 base revenue requirement of \$33,652 thousand beginning January 1, 2022.

#### 2. SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of Accounting**

These financial statements are prepared and presented in accordance with the accounting policies summarized below and in Canadian dollars. These policies are consistent with United States (US) Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP), with the exception that (1) the financial statements were not prepared as though the transfer of the Bruce to Milton Line transmission assets had occurred at the beginning of the year in which the transfer occurred and (2) the comparative year information was not retrospectively adjusted, as required under US GAAP, for common control transactions. These financial statements have been prepared to provide the financial position, results of operations and cash flows of the Partnership on the basis of the date of the transfer of the Bruce to Milton Line transmission assets on December 16, 2014. As a result, the financial statements may not be suitable for any other purpose.

The Partnership performed an evaluation of subsequent events through to March 23, 2023, the date these financial statements were available to be issued, to determine whether any events or transactions warranted recognition and disclosure in these financial statements. See Note 12 - Subsequent Events.

#### **Use of Management Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues, expenses, gains and losses during the reporting periods. Management evaluates these estimates on an ongoing basis based upon historical experience, current conditions, and assumptions believed to be reasonable at the time the assumptions are made with any adjustments being recognized in results of operations in the period they arise.



# B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

#### **Regulatory Accounting**

The OEB has the general power to include or exclude revenues, costs, gains or losses in the rates of a specific period, resulting in a change in the timing of accounting recognition from that which would have been applied in an unregulated company. Such change in timing involves the application of rate-regulated accounting in accordance with Financial Accounting Standards Board Accounting Standard Codification Topic 980, Regulated Operations within the Partnership's regulated business, giving rise to the recognition of regulatory assets and liabilities. Regulatory assets generally represent certain amounts receivable from future electricity customers and costs that have been deferred for accounting purposes because it is probable that they will be recovered in future rates. Regulatory liabilities generally represent amounts that are refundable to electricity customers in future rates. The Partnership continually assesses the likelihood of settling its regulatory assets and liabilities and continues to believe that it is probable that the OEB will include them in setting future rates. If, at some future date, the Partnership judges that it is no longer probable that the OEB will include a regulatory asset or liability in setting future rates, the appropriate carrying amount would be reflected in results of operations prospectively from the date the Partnership's assessment is made, unless the change meets the requirements for a subsequent event adjustment.

#### **Cash and Cash Equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash and short-term investments with an original maturity of three months or less.

#### **Revenue Recognition**

Revenues predominantly consist of transmission tariffs, which are collected through OEB-approved UTRs which are applied against the monthly peak demand for electricity across the Partnership's high-voltage network. OEB-approved UTRs are based on an approved revenue requirement that includes a rate of return. The transmission tariffs are designed to recover revenues necessary to support the Partnership's transmission system with sufficient capacity to accommodate the maximum expected demand which is influenced by weather and economic conditions. Revenues are recognized as electricity is transmitted and delivered to customers.

#### Accounts Receivable and Allowance for Doubtful Accounts

Trade accounts receivable represent earned revenue for electricity transmitted and delivered to customers and receivable from the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO). Trade accounts receivable are recorded at the amount reported by the IESO. No allowance for doubtful accounts is recognized with respect to trade accounts receivable as there is no risk of loss associated with such amounts.

#### **Income Taxes**

B2M LP, as a limited partnership, is not a taxable entity for federal and provincial income tax purposes. Accordingly, no current or deferred tax expenses are recognized in the Partnership's financial statements.

# Property, Plant and Equipment

Property, plant and equipment is recorded at original cost, net of any accumulated impairment losses. The cost of additions, including betterments and replacement asset components, is included on the balance sheets as property, plant and equipment.

The original cost of property, plant and equipment includes direct materials, direct labour (including employee benefits), contracted services, attributable capitalized financing costs, asset retirement costs, and direct and indirect overheads that are related to the capital project or program. Indirect overheads include a portion of corporate costs such as finance, treasury, human resources, and information technology. Overhead costs, including corporate functions and field services costs, are capitalized on a fully allocated basis, consistent with an OEB-approved methodology.

Transmission assets include those used for the transmission of high-voltage electricity, including transmission lines, support structures, foundations, insulators, connecting hardware and grounding systems.

Easements include rights to use portions of licensed properties of Hydro One Networks for the purpose of operating and maintaining the Bruce to Milton Line transmission assets.



# B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

#### Depreciation

The cost of property, plant and equipment is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the estimated remaining service life of each asset category. The average service life and depreciation rates for the Partnership's assets are as follows:

Average Service Life	77
Depreciation Rates - Range	1.0% - 4.2%
Depreciation Rates - Average	1.3%

In accordance with group depreciation practices, the original cost of property, plant and equipment, or major components thereof, that are normally retired, is charged to accumulated depreciation with no gain or loss being reflected in results of operations. Where a disposition of property, plant and equipment occurs through sale, a gain or loss is calculated based on proceeds and such gain or loss is included in depreciation expense.

#### **Long-Lived Asset Impairment**

When circumstances indicate the carrying value of long-lived assets may not be recoverable, the Partnership evaluates whether the carrying value of such assets has been impaired. For such long-lived assets, the Partnership evaluates whether impairment may exist by estimating future estimated undiscounted cash flows expected to result from the use and eventual disposition of the asset. When alternative courses of action to recover the carrying amount of a long-lived asset are under consideration, a probability-weighted approach is used to develop estimates of future undiscounted cash flows. If the carrying value of the long-lived asset is not recoverable based on the estimated future undiscounted cash flows, an impairment loss is recorded, measured as the excess of the carrying value of the asset over its fair value. As a result, the asset's carrying value is adjusted to its estimated fair value.

The carrying costs of B2M LP's long-lived assets are included in rate base where they earn an OEB-approved rate of return. Asset carrying values and the related return are recovered through approved rates. As a result, such assets are only tested for impairment in the event that the OEB disallows recovery, in whole or in part, or if such a disallowance is judged to be probable. As at December 31, 2022, no asset impairment had been recorded.

#### **Financial Assets and Liabilities**

All financial assets and liabilities are classified into one of the following five categories: held-to-maturity; loans and receivables; held-for-trading; other liabilities; or available-for-sale. Financial assets and liabilities classified as held-for-trading are measured at fair value. All other financial assets and liabilities are measured at amortized cost. Accounts receivable and inter-company receivable are classified as loans and receivables. The Partnership considers the carrying amount of accounts receivable and inter-company receivable to be a reasonable estimate of fair value because of the short time to maturity of these instruments. No allowance for doubtful accounts is recognized with respect to all accounts receivable as there is no risk of loss associated with such amounts. All financial instrument transactions are recorded at trade date.

The Partnership determines the classification of its financial assets and liabilities at the date of initial recognition. The Partnership designates certain of its financial assets and liabilities to be held at fair value, when it is consistent with the Partnership's risk management policy disclosed in Note 7 - Fair Value of Financial Instruments and Risk Management.

#### 3. NEW ACCOUNTING PRONOUNCEMENTS

The following tables present Accounting Standard Updates (ASUs) issued by the Financial Accounting Standards Board that are applicable to B2M LP:

#### **Recently Adopted Accounting Guidance**

Guidance	Date issued	Description	Effective date	Impact
ASU 2021-10	November 2021	The update addresses the diversity on the recognition, measurement, presentation and disclosure of government assistance received by business entities.	January 1, 2022	No impact upon adoption

#### **Recently Issued Accounting Guidance Not Yet Adopted**

Guidance	Date issued	Description	Effective date	Anticipated Impact
ASU 2022-02	March 2022	The amendments eliminate the troubled debt restructuring (TDR) accounting model for entities that have adopted Topic 326 Financial Instrument – Credit Losses and modifies the guidance on vintage disclosure requirements to require disclosure of current-period gross write-offs by year of origination.	January 1, 2023	Under assessment



#### 4. DEPRECIATION AND ASSET REMOVAL COSTS

Year ended December 31 (thousands of dollars)	2022	2021
Depreciation of property, plant and equipment	6,865	6,859
Asset removal costs	14	42
	6.879	6.901

#### 5. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

As at December 31, 2022 (thousands of dollars)	Property, Plant and Equipment	Accumulated Depreciation	Construction in Progress	Total
Transmission	432,393	49,147	_	383,246
Easements	96,721	7,911	_	88,810
	529,114	57,058	_	472,056
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As at December 31, 2021 (thousands of dollars)	Property, Plant and Equipment	Accumulated Depreciation	Construction in Progress	Total
Transmission	432,224	43,237	2	388,989
Easements	96,721	6,956	_	89,765
	528,945	50,193	2	478,754

#### 6. NOTES PAYABLE

Notes payable consist of promissory notes payable to B2M Trust, a subsidiary of Hydro One. The following table presents the balances of the promissory notes at December 31, 2022 and 2021:

As at December 31 (thousands of dollars)	2022	2021
1.78% note payable due February 2025	93,483	97,333
Floating-rate note payable due February 2025 <sup>1</sup>	19,306	19,582
2.18% note payable due February 2030	100,380	100,380
2.73% note payable due February 2050	76,368	76,368
	289,537	293,663

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The interest rate is the 2020 OEB approved short-term debt rate of 2.75% (2021 - 2.75%).

In 2022, B2M LP repaid promissory notes totaling \$4,126 thousand (2021 - \$6,278 thousand). No promissory notes were issued in 2022 and 2021.

#### 7. FAIR VALUE OF FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND RISK MANAGEMENT

Fair value is considered to be the exchange price in an orderly transaction between market participants to sell an asset or transfer a liability at the measurement date. The fair value definition focuses on an exit price, which is the price that would be received in the sale of an asset or the amount that would be paid to transfer a liability.

The Partnership classifies its fair value measurements based on the following hierarchy, as prescribed by the accounting guidance for fair value, which prioritizes the inputs to valuation techniques used to measure fair value into three levels:

Level 1 inputs are unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities the Partnership has the ability to access. An active market for the asset or liability is one in which transactions for the asset or liability occur with sufficient frequency and volume to provide ongoing pricing information.

Level 2 inputs are those other than quoted market prices that are observable, either directly or indirectly, for an asset or liability. Level 2 inputs include, but are not limited to, quoted prices for similar assets or liabilities in an active market, quoted prices for identical or similar assets or liabilities in markets that are not active and inputs other than quoted market prices that are observable for the asset or liability, such as interest rate curves and yield curves observable at commonly quoted intervals, volatilities, credit risk and default rates. A Level 2 measurement cannot have more than an insignificant portion of the valuation based on unobservable inputs.

Level 3 inputs are any fair value measurements that include unobservable inputs for the asset or liability for more than an insignificant portion of the valuation. A Level 3 measurement may be based primarily on Level 2 inputs.

#### Non-Derivative Financial Assets and Liabilities

At December 31, 2022 and 2021, the carrying amounts of cash and cash equivalents, accounts receivable, inter-company receivable, and inter-company payable are representative of fair value due to the short-term nature of these instruments.



# B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (continued) For the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021

#### Fair Value Hierarchy

The fair value hierarchy of financial liabilities at December 31, 2022 and 2021 is as follows:

As at December 31, 2022 (thousands of dollars)	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Liabilities:					
Notes payable	289,537	245,451	_	245,451	_
As at December 31, 2021 (thousands of dollars)	Carrying Value	Fair Value	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3
Liabilities:					
				288.816	

The fair values of the fixed-rate notes payable are based on unadjusted period-end market price for the same or similar debt of the same remaining maturity. The fair values of the floating-rate notes payable are the same as the carrying values because the interest rates are referenced to the OEB demand short-term and long-term debt rates.

There were no transfers between any of the fair value levels during the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021.

#### **Risk Management**

Exposure to market risk, credit risk and liquidity risk arises in the normal course of the Partnership's business.

#### Market Risk

Market risk refers primarily to the risk of loss that results from changes in commodity prices, foreign exchange rates and interest rates. The Partnership is exposed to fluctuations in interest rates as its regulated return on equity is derived using a formulaic approach that takes anticipated interest rates into account. The Partnership's regulated return on equity has been approved until 2024. The Partnership is not currently exposed to commodity price risk or foreign exchange risks.

A hypothetical 100 basis points increase in interest rates associated with variable-rate debt would have resulted in no significant impact to the Partnership's net income for the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021.

# Credit Risk

Financial assets create a risk that a counterparty will fail to discharge an obligation, causing a financial loss. At December 31, 2022 and 2021, all of the trades accounts receivable was recorded as a result of earning revenues from the IESO. The Partnership does not recognize allowance for doubtful accounts with respect to trade accounts receivable from the IESO as there is no risk of loss associated with such amounts.

#### Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk refers to the Partnership's ability to meet its financial obligations as they come due. The Partnership meets its short-term liquidity requirements through cash on hand as well as the inter-company receivable and inter-company payable with Hydro One and funds from operations. The short-term liquidity available to the Partnership should be sufficient to fund normal operating requirements.

#### 8. REGULATORY LIABILITIES

Regulatory liabilities arise as a result of the rate-setting process. B2M LP has recorded the following liabilities:

As at December 31 (thousands of dollars)	2022	2021
Regulatory liabilities:		
Earnings sharing mechanism deferral account	75	_
Total regulatory liabilities	75	
Less: current portion	<del>-</del>	_
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#### **Earnings Sharing Mechanism Deferral**

In January 2020, the OEB accepted B2M LP's Settlement Proposal for 2020-2024 Transmission Rates, which included the establishment of an earnings sharing mechanism deferral account to record over-earnings including tax impacts, if any, realized for any year from 2020 to 2024. Under this mechanism, B2M LP shares 50% of regulated earnings that exceed the OEB-approved regulatory return-on-equity by more than 100 basis points with ratepayers. This account is asymmetrical to the benefit of ratepayers.



#### 9. PARTNERS' EQUITY

B2M LP is authorized to issue an unlimited number of Class A and Class B units. The Class A and Class B units are voting and participate equally in profits, losses and capital distributions of B2M LP. The Class A and Class B units are equal with respect to all rights, benefits obligations and limitations provided under the Limited Partnership Agreement. Any units issued by B2M LP must be first offered to the existing partners in proportion to their ownership interests. At December 31, 2022 and 2021, B2M LP had 188,579,358 Class A units issued and outstanding, and 22,000,000 Class B units issued and outstanding.

As the SON is a tax exempt entity, the amount of income or loss corresponding to taxes recovered in transmission rates is allocated to the taxable partners, Hydro One Partners, and the remaining balance is allocated to all partners in proportion to their ownership interests.

At December 31, 2022 and 2021, partners' equity was allocated to the SON and the Hydro One Partners as follows:

Year ended December 31, 2022 (thousands of dollars, except number of units)	SON	Hydro One Partners	Total
Class A Units			
Class A - number of units - December 31, 2022	50,000,000	138,579,358	188,579,358
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Class A unit value - January 1, 2022	45,581	127,295	172,876
Distributions to partners	(4,692)	(13,882)	(18,573)
Net income and comprehensive income	4,463	13,581	18,044
Class A unit value - December 31, 2022	45,352	126,994	172,347
Class B Units			
Class B - number of units - December 31, 2022	22,000,000	_	22,000,000
Class B unit value - January 1, 2022	20,056	_	20,056
Distributions to partners	(2,064)	_	(2,064)
Net income and comprehensive income	1,964	_	1,964
Class B unit value - December 31, 2022	19,956	_	19,956
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Total partners' equity	70.000.000	100 570 050	040 570 050
Number of units - December 31, 2022	72,000,000	138,579,358	210,579,358
Partners' equity - January 1, 2022	65,637	127,295	192,932
Distributions to partners	(6,756)	(13,882)	(20,637)
Net income and comprehensive income	6,427	13,581	20,008
Partners' equity - December 31, 2022	65,308	126,994	192,303
Year ended December 31, 2021 (thousands of dollars, except number of units)	SON	Hydro One Partners	Total
Class A Units	50,000,000	400 570 050	400 570 050
Class A - number of units - December 31, 2021	50,000,000	138,579,358	188,579,358
Class A unit value - January 1, 2021	46,193	128,892	175,085
Distributions to partners	(4,638)	(13,635)	(18,273)
Net income and comprehensive income	4,026	12,038	16,064
Class A unit value - December 31, 2021	45,581	127,295	172,876
Class B Units			
Class B - number of units - December 31, 2021			
	22,000,000	_	22,000,000
·	22,000,000	_	22,000,000
Class B unit value - January 1, 2021	20,325	_ _	20,325
Class B unit value - January 1, 2021 Distributions to partners	20,325 (2,041)	_ _ _	20,325 (2,041)
Class B unit value - January 1, 2021 Distributions to partners Net income and comprehensive income	20,325 (2,041) 1,772	_ _ _ _	20,325 (2,041) 1,772
Class B unit value - January 1, 2021 Distributions to partners	20,325 (2,041)	- - - -	20,325 (2,041)
Class B unit value - January 1, 2021 Distributions to partners Net income and comprehensive income  Class B unit value - December 31, 2021	20,325 (2,041) 1,772	- - - -	20,325 (2,041) 1,772
Class B unit value - January 1, 2021 Distributions to partners Net income and comprehensive income	20,325 (2,041) 1,772	138,579,358	20,325 (2,041) 1,772
Class B unit value - January 1, 2021 Distributions to partners Net income and comprehensive income  Class B unit value - December 31, 2021  Total partners' equity Number of units - December 31, 2021	20,325 (2,041) 1,772 <b>20,056</b> 72,000,000		20,325 (2,041) 1,772 <b>20,056</b> 210,579,358
Class B unit value - January 1, 2021 Distributions to partners Net income and comprehensive income Class B unit value - December 31, 2021  Total partners' equity Number of units - December 31, 2021  Partners' equity - January 1, 2021	20,325 (2,041) 1,772 <b>20,056</b> 72,000,000 66,518	128,892	20,325 (2,041) 1,772 <b>20,056</b> 210,579,358 195,410
Class B unit value - January 1, 2021 Distributions to partners Net income and comprehensive income  Class B unit value - December 31, 2021  Total partners' equity Number of units - December 31, 2021	20,325 (2,041) 1,772 <b>20,056</b> 72,000,000		20,325 (2,041) 1,772 <b>20,056</b> 210,579,358



#### 10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Partnership is 65.81% indirectly owned by Hydro One and 34.19% owned by the SON. Hydro One is owned by Hydro One Limited. The Province is a shareholder of Hydro One Limited with approximately 47.2% ownership at December 31, 2022. The IESO is a related party to the Partnership because it is controlled or significantly influenced by the Province. The following is a summary of the Partnership's related party transactions during the years ended December 31, 2022 and 2021:

Year ended December 31 (thousands of dollars)

Related Party	Transaction	2022	2021
IESO Revenues for transmission services		35,352	33,702
	Notes payable repaid	4,126	6,278
	Interest expense on notes payable	6,920	7,011
Hydro One Networks	Distributions and cash advances paid	13,860	13,614
	Services received - costs incurred	1,702	2,371
HOIP	Distributions and cash advances paid	22	21
SON	Distributions and cash advances paid	6,756	6,679

The amounts due to and from related parties at December 31, 2022 and 2021 are as follows:

As at December 31 (thousands of dollars)	2022	2021
Accounts receivable <sup>1</sup>	2,907	3,007
Inter-company receivable <sup>2</sup>	5,373	5,349
Inter-company payable <sup>2</sup>	5,688	5,688
Notes payable, including current portion	289,537	293,663
Accrued interest	2,459	2,488

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Entire accounts receivable balance is due from IESO.

# 11. STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

The changes in non-cash balances related to operations consist of the following:

Year ended December 31 (thousands of dollars)	2022	2021
Accounts receivable	100	(316)
Other assets	(7)	_
Accrued liabilities	2	111
Accrued interest	(29)	(44)
	66	(249)

#### 12. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

#### **Cash Advances**

On January 11, 2023, cash advances in the amount of \$4,505 thousand were paid to partners, of which \$4,046 thousand and \$459 thousand were paid to Class A and Class B unit holders, respectively.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Amounts due to or from Hydro One and its subsidiaries, Hydro One Networks and HOIP, by the Partnership are included in the inter-company receivable and inter-company payable balances, and include expenses paid and amounts collected by Hydro One and its subsidiaries that relate to the Partnership.

# RECONCILIATION OF REGULATORY FINANCIAL RESULTS WITH AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (2023)

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	Total per Exhibit A-06-02-01	Adjustments	Utility Income
	(\$K) (a)	(\$K) (b)	(\$K) (c)
Revenues			
Revenues	36,590	657	37,247
Costs			
Operation, maintenance, and administration	2,455	0	2,455
Depreciation	6,866	0	6,866
Income before financing charges and income tax expense	27,269	657	27,926
Financing charges	6,564	93	6,657
Income tax expense	0	2,354	2,354
Net Income	20,705	(1,790)	18,915

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# **DRAFT ISSUES LIST**

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# A. GENERAL

- 1. Has B2M LP responded appropriately to all relevant Ontario Energy Board (OEB) directions from previous proceedings?
- 2. Are all elements of the proposed revenue requirement and their associated total bill impacts reasonable?

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# **B. REVENUE REQUIREMENT FRAMEWORK**

- 3. Is the proposed revenue requirement framework appropriate?
- 4. Is the proposed Earnings Sharing Mechanism appropriate?

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# C. TRANSMISSION SYSTEM PLAN

5. Are the proposed spending levels for capital appropriate?

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# D. PERFORMANCE

6. Is the proposed monitoring and reporting of performance adequate?

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#### E. OPERATIONS MAINTENANCE & ADMINISTRATION COSTS

- 7. Are the proposed spending levels for 2025-2029 OM&A appropriate, including consideration of factors such as system reliability and asset condition?
- 8. Are the amounts proposed to be included in the revenue requirement for income taxes appropriate?
- 9. Is the proposed depreciation expense appropriate?

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# 1 F. RATE BASE & COST OF CAPITAL

- 10. Are the amounts proposed for rate base and capital structure reasonable?
- 11. Is the forecast of long-term debt appropriate?
- 12. Is the 2025 update of the cost of long-term debt appropriate?

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# G. DEFERRAL/VARIANCE ACCOUNTS

- 13. Are the proposed amounts, disposition and continuance of existing deferral and variance accounts appropriate?
- 14. Are the proposed new deferral and variance accounts appropriate?

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# TRANSMISSION SYSTEM OVERVIEW

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# 1.0 INTRODUCTION

B2M LP is licensed by the Ontario Energy Board (OEB) to own, operate, and maintain transmission facilities in the Province of Ontario, specifically circuits B560V and B561M running from the Bruce Nuclear Power Development to the Milton Switching Station. This Exhibit provides a description of B2M LP's transmission assets, and a discussion on the requirements for B2M LP within the electricity industry and regulatory framework in Ontario.

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# 2.0 DESCRIPTION OF B2M LP TRANSMISSION ASSETS

B2M LP's transmission assets are part of the bulk electricity system and are comprised solely of one 500kV double circuit transmission line, known as Circuit B560V and Circuit B561M, which have a combined capacity of approximately 3,000 MW.

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The route of B2M LP's 500kV double circuit transmission line runs parallel to a preexisting 500kV double circuit transmission line between the Bruce Power Complex in Kincardine, and Milton SS, as depicted in the map in Figure 2 below, passing through Bruce, Grey, Wellington, and Dufferin counties; the regional municipality of Halton; and the municipalities of Kincardine, Brockton, Hanover, West Grey, Southgate, Wellington North, Erin, East Luther Grand Valley, East Garafraxa, Halton Hills and Milton.

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From the Bruce Power Complex at Kincardine, the line runs to a point near Highway 7 just east of Acton, where the double circuit line joins a short section of 500kV double circuit line which carries on from Highway 7 south to Milton SS. Each circuit is approximately 176 km in length, and they form a contiguous line from the Bruce Power Complex to Milton SS. Hydro One owns the terminating stations (Bruce A TS, Bruce B SS, and Milton SS).

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- The demarcation point for each of B2M LP's circuits from Hydro One's transmission system is:
  - Circuit B560V: terminating at the north end near Bruce A TS at tower #2A, inclusive, and at the south end at Milton SS at tower #726, inclusive; and
  - Circuit B561M: terminating at the north end near Bruce B SS at tower #2, inclusive, and at the south end at Milton SS at tower #726, inclusive.

The major components of these circuits include overhead conductors, steel support structures and foundations, insulators, and connecting hardware and grounding systems. B2M LP also has rights to Hydro One's existing transmission corridor on which the circuits are located. A summary of B2M LP's key assets are provided in Table 1. For a further description of B2M LP's transmission assets, please refer to B2M LP's Transmission System Plan presented in Attachment 1 of Exhibit B-01-03.

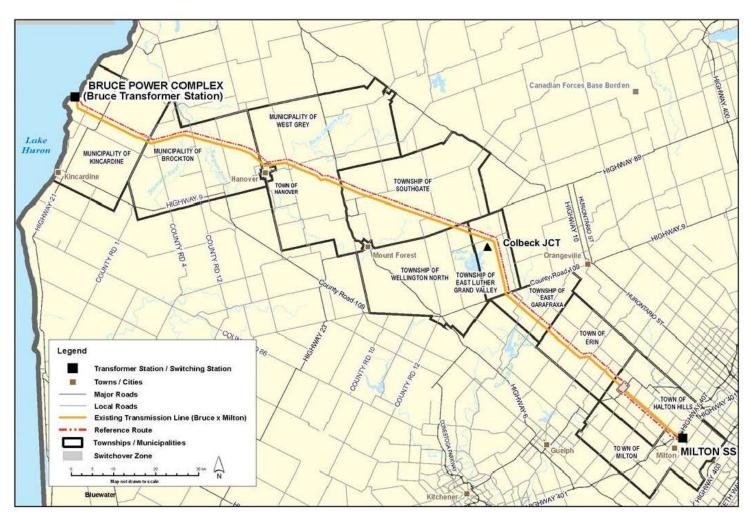
Table 1 - Asset Summary

B2M LP Assets		
Fixed Assets (Net Book Value)	\$469 M*	
Transmission System Voltages	500kV	
Overhead Transmission Lines	4224 <sup>1</sup> km	
Steel Support Structures	710 towers	
Line Insulators	5,100 strings	

\*Value as of December 31, 2023 as documented in Exhibit C-01-01.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Each circuit is 176 km in length. Each circuit consists of 3 phases with a bundle of four conductor wires for each phase. There are two identical circuits.

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**Figure 2: Transmission System Map** 

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# **COMPANY VALUES AND STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES**

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# 1.0 INTRODUCTION

- This Exhibit provides an overview of Bruce to Milton Limited Partnership (B2M LP)'s
- business objectives and company values. It also outlines B2M LP's strategic goals and
- 6 five-year vision.

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#### 2.0 B2M LP'S PRIORITIES & OBJECTIVES

B2M LP's priorities include safety, reliable and efficient stewardship of assets, and conducting its business in a manner that respects Indigenous peoples and their traditions.

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The five-year vision associated with B2M LP's strategic objectives is shown in Table 1. In managing its transmission assets, B2M LP is committed to meeting the OEB's Renewed Regulatory Framework (RRF) outcomes as demonstrated by the alignment of B2M LP's strategic objectives to the RRF outcomes.

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Table 1 - B2M LP Strategic Objectives

RRF Outcomes	Strategic Objectives	Five-Year Vision
Customer Focus	Reliable Transmission	Maintain top-tier transmission reliability performance and improve long-term system reliability.
Operational Effectiveness	Foster Indigenous Relationships	To foster positive relationships with the Indigenous communities of the partners.
Operational Effectiveness	Injury-Free	Ensure B2M LP operations and management services agreement is executed in accordance with good utility practice for employee and public safety.
Public Policy Responsiveness	Cost Control	Secure a reasonable service agreement with Hydro One Networks Inc. that minimizes cost.
Public Policy	Public Policy Responsiveness	Support government objectives by delivering on obligations mandated by government through legislation and regulatory requirements.
Responsiveness	Protecting the Environment	Sustainably manage B2M LP's environmental footprint.
	Owner's Value	Achieve the Regulated Return on Equity allowed by the Ontario Energy Board.
Financial Performance	Ratepayer Value	Plan and strategically execute responsible investment in rate base assets to ensure the safety and reliability of the grid while ensuring manageable and stable rate impacts over the course of the planning period.

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- B2M LP is proposing to track its performance using the outcomes described in Exhibit D-
- 2 01-01 to ensure that B2M LP satisfies its five-year plan.

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- External and unexpected factors may impact B2M LP's achievement of its outcomes.
- 5 These include examples such as unforeseen weather events and material changes to
- 6 codes and standards. However, all operation & maintenance work is completed to
- 7 ensure compliance with regulatory requirements, good utility practice, and manage
- 8 spending within budget.

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# SUMMARY OF CAPITAL EXPENDITURES AND IN-SERVICE ADDITIONS

Most of the 500kV double circuit transmission line owned by B2M LP was originally commissioned in May 2012. However, the line was connected to a short section of pre-existing line from around Highway 7 south to Milton SS, as described in Section 3.0 of Exhibit B-01-01. Therefore, approximately 90% of the line is approximately 12 years old, and the remaining 10% of the line is about 44 years old¹. At this point in its life cycle, capital spending of a planned nature on the line is not required. Therefore, B2M LP has no capital spending planned (or associated in-service additions forecasted in gross plant) over the five-year horizon of this Application. Further details on the B2M asset life cycle and condition assessments are included in B2M LP's Transmission System Plan found as Attachment 1 to this Exhibit.

Although a 500kV double circuit transmission line, if maintained properly, is extremely durable and resilient in normal circumstances, extraordinary events (including tornados and ice formations) can occur and cause damage to the line. These types of extreme weather events, while uncommon, may result in unplanned capital spending to repair the system. Due to the risk of major storm damage or other events, B2M LP is proposing to continue to use a z-factor approach<sup>2</sup> to seek relief for unplanned spending. B2M LP is satisfied with the efficacy of this mechanism to protect the partners from the impacts that could result from unforeseen events and is not requesting a change. In accordance with the OEB's Filing Requirements<sup>3</sup>, this mechanism would apply to the recovery of material costs (that meet the eligibility criteria) associated with unforeseen events that are outside

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Towers and conductors on circuits B560M and B561M from Tower 660 to 726 were in-serviced in 1980 and are currently 44 years old. Towers and conductors on circuit B561M from Bruce B SS to Bruce JCT were in-serviced in 1983 and are 41 years old. Insulator strings for both these sections were replaced in 2022 and are currently 3 years old. All remaining assets owned by B2M LP were in-serviced in 2012 and are currently 12 years old.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See EB-2015-0026, Decision and Order, page 10

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Section 2.8.12 of the OEB Filing Requirements for Electricity Transmission Applications

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- the control of the transmitter's ability to manage, such as storms causing damage to its
- 2 assets.

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- To date, B2M LP has not utilized the z-factor mechanism prescribed in the previous
- <sup>5</sup> decision. As previously mentioned, there are no planned capital expenditures anticipated
- 6 between 2025 and 2029.

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# TRANSMISSION SYSTEM PLAN

Historical Period and Bridge Year: 2020-2024 Test Year and Forecast Period: 2025-2029



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# 1.0 INTRODUCTION

- B2M Limited Partnership ("B2M LP") prepared this 2025 to 2029 Transmission System
- Plan ("TSP") in accordance with Chapter 2 of the Ontario Energy Board's ("OEB") Filing
- 4 Requirements for Electricity Transmission Applications published on February 11, 2016,
- with further guidance from Chapters 3 and 5 of the OEB's Filing Requirements for
- 6 Electricity Distribution Rate Applications (Incentive Rate-Setting Applications and
- 7 Distribution System Plan), revised on June 15, 2023 and December 15, 2022, respectively
- 8 (together, the "Filing Requirements").

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- The planning tools, processes, and investments outlined in this TSP are based upon the
- current state of the assets owned by the partnership, most of which are relatively new.
- This TSP has been prepared for information purposes to support the overall Application
- and to be responsive to the Filing Requirements. There are no capital projects planned for
- 14 2025 2029.

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#### 2.0 TRANSMISSION SYSTEM PLAN

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# 2.1 TRANSMISSION SYSTEM PLAN OVERVIEW (OEB FILING REQ. 2.4)

This section summarizes the key components that make up the integrated TSP and contextualizes the quantitative and qualitative information provided throughout.

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# 2.1.1 KEY ELEMENTS OF THE PLAN

B2M LP's transmission assets are limited to the components of a single 500kV double circuit transmission line. Given the relatively new vintage of this line, no planned capital spending is required to meet the Applicant's business objectives over the 2025 to 2029 planning period. The absence of planned capital spending is expected to result in no inservice additions to grow the rate base of the Applicant during the planning period.

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The forecast OM&A expenditure is a relatively small portion of the rate proposal, representing approximately 9% of revenue requirement. The proposed OM&A expense

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will ensure that the B2M LP assets are operated and maintained in accordance with good utility practice and reliability standards.

# 4 2.1.2 CUSTOMER PREFERENCES AND EXPECTATIONS

B2M LP's 500kV double circuit transmission line is part of Ontario's bulk electric system,

6 which helps to ensure the adequacy of supply to the province by connecting to major

generating sources and delivering that power to major load centres in Ontario. B2M LP

has no delivery points and therefore has no customers that it directly serves; thus, the

partnership has not performed any independent customer research.

B2M LP's five-year plan supports the general objective of maintaining long-term system reliability while ensuring manageable and stable rate impacts to ratepayers over the course of the planning period. The plan does not propose any planned capital spending and includes a modest OM&A budget to maintain B2M LP's transmission reliability. B2M LP is renewing its Service Level Agreement (SLA) with HONI to continue providing maintenance and operational services on the transmission line for the next five years. Having this service provider, with its breadth of capabilities and local knowledge, provides assurance that the assets will continue to be operated and maintained in accordance with good utility practice and reliability standards.

# 2.1.3 ANTICIPATED SOURCES OF EFFICIENCIES

The majority of B2M LP's OM&A expense (accounting for approximately 83% of the average annual OM&A expense for 2025 - 2029) are for services provided by HONI through an SLA. Efficiencies gained by HONI are passed through to B2M LP. B2M LP's asset is a 500kV double circuit transmission line that is located directly adjacent to a line owned by HONI. Given the proximity of the assets, there are meaningful efficiencies inherent in having one party, HONI, plan and perform the work on both lines simultaneously.

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- B2M LP's controllable costs are minimal but do include certain administrative expenses.
- Over the past period, B2M LP has been able to recognize lower costs in such things as
- 3 insurance and the Managing Director's office, which are reflected in this Application.

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#### 2.1.4 PERIOD COVERED AND VINTAGE OF INFORMATION

- 6 This TSP covers a five-year historical period of 2020 to 2024, and a five-year forecast
- <sub>7</sub> period from 2025 to 2029 inclusive. The information contained in this TSP is considered
- 8 current as of year-end 2023, unless otherwise noted.

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# 2.1.5 IMPORTANT CHANGES TO THE ASSET MANAGEMENT PROCESS

B2M LP has not made any changes to how it manages its assets. B2M LP continues to

retain HONI under an SLA to plan, organize, and execute the operation and maintenance

of the assets, and provide corporate and administrative support. B2M LP relies upon

HONI's asset management process to develop its plan, as articulated in Section 3.1 Asset

Lifecycle Optimization Policies and Practices below.

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#### 2.1.6 CONTINGENCIES OF PLAN

B2M LP is not proposing a capital plan over the five-year term of this Application; therefore,

there are no contingencies of plan required.

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# 2.1.7 GRID MODERNIZATION

At this time, B2M LP is not implementing any capital plans for future initiatives such as

23 distributed energy resources, grid modernization or climate change.

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# 2.2 PLANNING WITH THIRD PARTIES (OEB FILING REQ. 2.4.2)

B2M LP is not a lead transmitter for any of the planning regions. B2M LP owns only one 500kV double circuit transmission line, which is part of the bulk system. The bulk system planning process is under the purview of the Independent Electricity System Operator ("IESO") and is coordinated as part of that undertaking. If requested, B2M LP would participate in the bulk system planning process and/or regional bulk system planning process, as per Section 3C of the Transmission System Code and the OEB endorsed

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Planning Process Working Group (the "PPWG") Report, in compliance with B2M LP's obligations as a licensed transmitter. To date, B2M LP has not received such a request and is not expecting such a request in the foreseeable future.

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# 2.3 PERFORMANCE MEASUREMENT FOR CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT

B2M LP is proposing to continue to track its performance by utilizing the measures approved by the OEB in proceedings EB-2015-0026 and EB-2019-0178 to ensure that B2M LP is meeting its five-year plan as described in this Application. The performance measures will be tracked annually, and the results of this tracking will be reported to the OEB at the next proceeding. Further details on the methods and measures, as well as on the historical performance and forecast targets, are documented in Exhibit D-01-01.

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# 3.0 ASSET MANAGEMENT PROCESS (OEB FILING REQ. 2.4.1)

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# 3.1 ASSET MANAGEMENT PROCESS OVERVIEW

B2M LP seeks to identify and prioritize asset maintenance and capital investments in an optimal way throughout the life cycle of its assets. To achieve this goal, B2M LP works with HONI to undertake a strategic and methodical asset management process, drawing upon HONI's experience to monitor its transmission system assets, identify and define needs, and determine the optimal timing for investment and maintenance activities. In doing so, B2M LP strives to ensure that it can continue to deliver, over the long term, a level of transmission service that is responsive to operational needs, while also minimizing rate impacts and risks in support of the company's strategic objectives.

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#### 3.2 OVERVIEW OF ASSETS MANAGED

This section summarizes the detailed characteristics and data on the assets covered by the asset management process, including service area, system configuration, asset condition, and asset utilization.

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# 3.2.1 FEATURES OF THE SERVICE AREA

- B2M LP's 500kV double circuit transmission line passes through Bruce, Grey, Wellington,
- and Dufferin counties; the regional municipality of Halton; and the municipalities of
- 4 Kincardine, Brockton, Hanover, West Grey, Southgate, Wellington North, Erin, East Luther
- 5 Grand Valley, East Garafraxa, Halton Hills and Milton, as noted in Figure 2 in Exhibit B-
- 6 01-01. These are primarily rural areas that generally allow for easy access to perform
- maintenance activities. However, the climate in these areas varies by season and is
- 8 susceptible to a variety of extreme weather conditions, such as blizzards, hail, ice storms,
- 9 lightning, thunderstorms, extreme heat and tornadoes.

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# 3.2.2 SYSTEM CONFIGURATION

Table 1 provides a high-level description and quantity of major transmission assets that comprise this transmission line.

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**Table 1 - Asset Summary** 

Asset Type	Description	Quantity	
Conductor	The conductor of an overhead transmission line is the asset responsible for transporting electricity between system nodes.	4224¹ km	
Steel Towers	Steel structures elevate transmission lines above the ground, providing clearance from ground objects and separation between the circuit conductors and other line components.	710 structures	
Insulators	Insulators provide mechanical support for overhead conductors and must provide electrical isolation between the energized conductors they support and the grounded towers to which they are attached.	5,100 strings	

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These asset types are similar to those on HONI's transmission system. For further detailed descriptions of each asset component and the maintenance plans please refer to HONI's Joint Rate Application (EB-2021-0110) in Exhibit B-02-01 Section 2.1.2.2, Key Transmission Assets.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Each circuit is 176 km in length. Each circuit consists of 3 phases with a bundle of four conductor wires for each phase. There are two identical circuits.

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# 3.2.3 ASSET CONDITION

This section presents the service profile and condition of B2M LP's key transmission

- assets. Roughly 90% of the assets were constructed and in-serviced in 2012. The
- remaining 10% of the assets were pre-existing HONI-owned assets that were originally in-
- serviced in 1980 and sold to B2M LP. As a result, as outlined in Table 2, assets that were
- 6 constructed and in-serviced prior to 2012 are identified as "Legacy".

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As identified in Section 4.2 below, an ongoing defect was identified in legacy insulator

strings as they aged. As a result, all the legacy insulators were replaced between 2020

and 2022. These have been identified as "Replaced" in Table 2 below.

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# **In-Service Profile**

The asset profile, as noted in Table 2, provides the average age of the components and the Expected Service Life ("ESL"). The ESL is defined as the average time duration in years that an asset can be expected to operate under normal system conditions and is determined by considering manufacturer guidelines and HONI's historical asset retirement data. Assets operating beyond ESL generally have a higher likelihood of failing or being in poor condition.

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**Table 2 - Asset Service Profile** 

Asset Type	Quantity	Average Age (years)	Expected Service Life (years)
Conductors (Legacy)	444 km	44	90
Conductors	3780 km	12	90
Steel Towers (Legacy)	77 towers	44	80
Steel Towers	633 towers	12	80
Insulator Strings (Replaced)	468 strings	3	70
Insulator Strings	4632 strings	12	70

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# **Condition**

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- The asset condition is noted in Table 3. Asset condition assessments are conducted for
- each asset as they reach an individual age threshold, which varies depending on asset
- 4 type. These assessments are the primary driver for determining if assets need to be
- replaced. Condition assessment results are categorized as "Good", "Fair", or "Poor" as per
- 6 definitions below:
  - Good: These assets are new or show minimal signs of deterioration.
  - **Fair:** Assets that are experiencing deterioration and the condition of these assets is monitored for progression of further deterioration.
  - **Poor:** Assets that have deteriorated to a point where they can no longer provide the intended functionality or service.

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**Table 3 - Asset Condition Summary** 

Asset Type	Quantity	Poor	Fair	Good
Conductors	4224 km 0%		0%	100%
Steel Towers	710 towers	0%	0%	100%
Insulators	5,100 strings	0%	0%	100%

Majority of B2M LP's assets were in-serviced in 2012; therefore, little degradation has occurred, and these assets are considered to be in good condition. There was a population of insulators on the pre-existing structures that had been determined to be defective. These have all been replaced in the past 3 years.

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#### 3.2.4 ASSET UTILIZATION

B2M LP's 500kV double circuit transmission line, circuits B560V and B561M, have a combined capacity of approximately 3,000 MW. This 500kV double circuit transmission line is part of the bulk system and is operated in accordance with the planning criteria as part of the IESO-controlled grid. The adequacy of the bulk system is assessed by the IESO as part of the bulk system planning processes in accordance with NERC and NPCC Standards, including the IESO's Ontario Resource Transmission Assessment Criteria ("ORTAC"). The bulk system is within acceptable capacity levels.

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# 3.3 ASSET LIFECYCLE OPTIMIZATION POLICIES AND PRACTICES

As documented in Section 3.1, B2M LP works with HONI to undertake a strategic and methodical asset management process, drawing upon HONI's experience to monitor its transmission system assets. HONI has developed and implemented asset strategies for various components of the transmission system. The specific strategies related to overhead transmission line assets are outlined in detail in HONI's Joint Rate Application (EB-2021-0110) in Exhibit B-02-01, Section 2.2. The following sections provide an overview of the specific operations and maintenance activities and replacement strategy

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# 3.3.1 ROUTINE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

On behalf of B2M LP, HONI performs routine operation and maintenance of B2M LP's transmission assets as follows.

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# **Operating Services:**

applicable to B2M LP.

- Operating services include the monitoring and control of the transmission system, in accordance with the requirements of B2M LP's Transmission Licence and all services required to fulfill B2M LP's obligations under its Connection Agreement and the IESO-B2M LP operating requirements. These services include, but are not limited to, the following:
  - Alarm/asset monitoring, and minor control;
    - Asset operation and switching;
  - Emergency response to transmission system events;
- Outage processing;
- Crew dispatching;
  - Record maintenance; and
- IT Support of the power system applications used by operators.

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# Maintenance Services:

The maintenance services include all planned and corrective maintenance services of the transmission line assets and right-of-way, in accordance with the requirements and obligations of B2M LP's Transmission Licence. Further details are outlined below.

# a) Overhead Transmission Lines

On behalf of B2M LP, HONI routinely inspects the overhead transmission lines by ground and aerial-based patrols to identify safety and reliability defects. If significant defects are identified during the patrols, HONI undertakes emergency repairs and response to restore power or minor corrective work to resolve reliability and safety problems with transmission line assets when necessary. This is unplanned work that constitutes minor corrective action and does not constitute replacement of major assets (towers, conductors, insulators etc.). As assets age, separate detailed assessments are also performed on individual conductor and structure assets to monitor condition and determine when replacement is required based upon assessed condition.

#### b) Transmission Right-of-Way

On behalf of B2M LP, HONI performs regular maintenance to maintain clearance distances between the energized circuits (B560V and B561M) and the vegetation located on and adjacent to the transmission right-of-way. In Southern Ontario, vegetation maintenance is performed on clearing cycles of six years. Cycle lengths have been set to ensure that rights-of-way are in good condition and maintain a sustainable level of reliability between maintenance cycles. B2M LP's transmission line is also subject to NERC Standard FAC-003 entitled '*Transmission Vegetation Management Reliability Standard*', which currently requires B2M LP to report all vegetation-related outages on 500kV circuits within B2M LP's control. If vegetation management issues arise mid-cycle, HONI would undertake corrective action to resolve reliability and safety problems.

# c) Overhead Transmission Lines – DHIs and Spacer Damper Repair Program

In late 2019, a critical failure occurred in December 2019 due to a broken conductor, which caused an outage impacting Bruce Power. This failure was due to a defective spacer

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damper. Upon conducting Detailed Helicopter Inspections (DHIs), it was observed that 1 many other spacer dampers had similar issues. To ensure reliability and prevent further 2 conductor failures, HONI undertook a multi-year and multi-faceted maintenance program 3 to identify and repair defective spacer dampers. The program is expected to last until 2029. 4 The general approach is to conduct DHI every year to identify obvious defects (including 5 high risk defects). To mitigate defects cost-effectively, HONI utilizes carts mounted on the 6 line to travel and repair these defects, as well as inspect and repair every damper between 7 the mounting and dismounting locations. Any other defects encountered will also be fixed 8 at the same time. This method minimizes disruptions to landowners and is the most 9 efficient from a time, cost and labour perspective. Depending on outage availability, the 10 cost can fluctuate from year to year, but it is estimated to be approximately \$1.2M per year 11 on average for the next 5 years. 12

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Once all the defective spacer dampers are repaired, B2M LP is proposing to retain the Annual DHIs as an ongoing incremental OM&A expense of \$0.1M. DHIs have proven to be useful in facilitating planning of medium-term defect mitigation (defects that do not require immediate mitigation but need to be addressed within 12 months). Mitigating defects in this manner minimizes disruptions to landowners, streamlines activity with planned in-year outages, and allows for optimization of labour and equipment. Customers benefit from DHIs through greater assurance that defects requiring near-term mitigation are not missed. Proactive defect mitigation also prevents unplanned outages which reduce system reliability and carry significantly higher defect mitigation costs.

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A summary of the planned maintenance activities and frequency of maintenance can be found in Table 4.

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**Table 4 - Summary of Planned Maintenance Activities** 

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Asset	Maintenance	Frequency	Description
Overhead	Detailed	1 year	High speed patrol to identify major defects on
Transmission	Helicopter Patrol		overhead transmission line assets.
Lines	(DHI)		
	Ground Patrol	12 years	More detailed ground based patrol to identify
			defects on overhead transmission line
			assets.
	Thermovision	1 year	Identifies defective transmission line
			components by detecting their heat signature
			using infrared cameras.
Transmission	Line Clearing	6 years	Consists of trimming tree branches and
Right of Way			removing any unhealthy trees on the edge of
			or adjacent to the right-of-way that have the
			potential to exceed B2M LP's clearances to
			the overhead transmission lines.
	Brush Control	6 years	Includes manual cutting, herbicide
			application and/or mechanical clearing to
			manage vegetation growth on the right-of-
			way to ensure adequate clearances and
			access to B2M LP's overhead transmission
			lines.
	Condition Patrol	6 years	A mid-cycle working inspection to identify
			and mitigate any vegetation which requires
			maintenance prior to the next scheduled line
			clearing or brush control activity.
	Property Owner	6 years	Prior to the execution of rights-of-way
	Notifications		vegetation maintenance, HONI contacts all
			required adjacent property owners and
			external stakeholders to communicate
			maintenance plans.
	Annual	1 year	In accordance with NERC Standard FAC-
	Vegetation Patrol		003, B2M LP is required to annually inspect
			all 500kV circuits.

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#### 1 3.3.2 ASSET REPLACEMENT

B2M LP's planned replacement strategy is as aligned with HONI's. Assets are replaced based on condition assessments. Once an asset is determined to have a high condition risk, it is scheduled and prioritized for replacement. In the case of material unplanned capital replacement, B2M LP proposes utilizing a z-factor claim approach in accordance with Section 2.8.12 of the OEB Filing Requirements, if necessary.

#### 3.4 SYSTEM CAPABILITY ASSESSMENT RENEWABLE ENERGY GENERATION

The B2M LP 500kV double circuit transmission line is operated in accordance with the planning criteria as part of the IESO-controlled grid based on the load, generation and import patterns. The B2M LP circuits, B560V and B561M, continue to allow the transfer of committed generating resources and potential to enable new renewable resources in the Bruce area. If new generation requests emerge, the assessment of capacity need or limitation and its planning would be under the purview of the IESO as part of the bulk system planning. At this time, there is no renewable energy generation connection forecast affecting B2M LP's assets.

#### 4.0 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE PLAN (OEB FILING REQ. 2.4.3)

This section provides the details of the overall plan that B2M LP plans to undertake over the 2025 to 2029 period, and other pertinent information regarding the elements of the planning process.

#### 4.1 CAPITAL PLANNING PROCESS OVERVIEW

On behalf of B2M LP, HONI completes an annual investment planning process to establish a plan that appropriately reflects operational needs, while minimizing rate impacts. This planning process ultimately forms part of the overall asset management process, which is aimed at identifying and scoping the optimal timing of capital investments and asset maintenance throughout the life cycle of assets, as discussed in Section 3.3 above. B2M LP's 2025 to 2029 plan is an output of this asset management framework.

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# 4.2 CAPITAL EXPENDITURE SUMMARY

- Table 5 provides a summary of B2M LP's overall plan. There was \$2.7M of capital
- expenditure between 2020 through 2022. Work completed was previously identified in EB-
- 4 2019-0178. As mentioned in Section 4.2 of Exhibit B-01-03-01 of proceeding EB-2019-
- 5 0178, defective insulators were identified in 2019 and were initially slated for replacement
- in 2019 with a budget of \$3M. However, actual expenditures incurred between 2020 and
- <sup>7</sup> 2022. This capital project was successfully in-serviced under budget at \$2.7M. B2M LP is
- 8 not anticipating the need for any planned capital spending over the 2025 2029 rate filing
- 9 period.

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#### 4.3 JUSTIFYING CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

This section (and corresponding OEB Appendix 2-AA) is not applicable, as B2M LP is not anticipating the need for any planned capital spending over the five-year horizon.

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# **5.0 OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE EXPENDITURES**

As outlined in Table 5 below, the average OM&A annualized forecast for the 2025 to 2029 16 period is \$3.3M. The 2020 Test Year OM&A approved in EB-2019-0178 rate filing was 17 \$1.2M. This represents a \$2.0M increase over the 2020 test year. The average annualized 18 forecast OM&A spend for the 2020 to 2024 period is \$2.4M which is also higher than 2020 19 Test Year approved OM&A of \$1.2M. OM&A costs, have on-average been \$1.2M over 20 plan for the 2020 – 2024 period. Three key factors are contributing to high OM&A costs 21 for 2025 to 2029: continuation of the Spacer Damper Repair Program, planned cyclic 22 vegetation management activities for 2025 to 2029, and inclusion of shared asset cost 23 allocation. 24

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As outlined in section 3.3.1, defective spacer dampers were identified in 2019. Mitigation was initiated in 2020 and is anticipated to continue till 2029. OM&A costs are anticipated to reduce by about \$1M annually after 2029 once the Spacer Damper Repair Program has been completed.

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- Higher OM&A forecasts for the 2025 to 2029 period are also due to large portions of B2M
- LP's Right of Way undergoing major vegetation maintenance in 2025, 2027, and 2028. As
- outlined in Table 4, Line Clearing and Brush Control cyclic maintenance activities are
- scheduled for Right of Ways every 6 years. These activities have significantly higher unit
- 5 costs compared to other vegetation management and patrol activities.

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- Starting 2023, B2M LP is also charged transfer pricing by HONI for the use of certain
- 8 Shared Assets. The Shared Asset costs allocated to B2M LP include those for major fixed
- 9 assets and intangible assets, as well as minor fixed assets. Shared Asset Allocation is
- forecast to be \$0.3M annually for the 2025 to 2029 period, and mainly relates HONI's SAP
- system, an enterprise-wide system that integrates work management, finance, supply
- chain and other enterprise software. Use of these systems is required for HONI to
- coordinate and execute its asset management process and subsequent maintenance
- activities for B2M LP.

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Further details are presented in Exhibit F-02-01.

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# Table 5 - Overall Plan (\$M)

OEB Appendix 2-AB

OEB						Histor	ical						Bridge			orecas	t	
OEB		2020		2021			2022		2023		2024	2025	2020	2027	2020	2029		
Category	Plan	Act	Var	Plan	Act	Var	Plan	Act	Var	Plan	Act	Var	Forecast	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
System Access	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
System Renewal	3.0	1.7	(1.3)	0.0	0.8	0.8	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
System Service	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
General Plant	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Capital	3.0	1.7	(1.3)	0.0	0.8	0.8	0.0	0.2	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total OM&A	1.2	2.8	1.6	1.2	2.0	0.8	1.2	1.6	0.4	1.2	2.5	1.2	3.1	3.1	2.7	3.9	4.1	2.8

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# **RATE BASE**

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

- This exhibit outlines B2M LP's rate base for the test years of 2025-2029, provides a
- 5 description of each rate base component, and includes a comparison between the OEB
- 6 approved 2020 rate base and historical actual figures.

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- 8 The rate base underlying the revenue requirement for the test year includes a forecast of
- 9 net utility plant, calculated on a mid-year average basis. No working capital has been
- requested, as discussed in section 4 below.

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#### 2.0 COMPARISON OF OEB APPROVED VS. ACTUAL RATE BASE

Table 1 below compares actual 2020 amounts to the 2020 rate base approved by the OEB in its Decision on B2M LP's 2020 revenue requirement application in EB-2019-0178.

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Table 1 - 2020 OEB-approved versus 2020 Historic Year Rate Base (\$ M)

Rate Base Component	2020 Actual	2020 OEB-approved	Variance
Mid-Year Gross Plant	548.5	549.2	(0.7)
Less: Mid-Year Accumulated Depreciation	(61.0)	(60.8)	(0.2)
Mid-Year Net Utility Plant	487.5	488.4	(0.9)
Cash Working Capital	0.0	0.0	0.0
Materials & Supply Inventory	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Rate Base	487.5	488.4	(0.9)

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Actual rate base in 2020 is in line with the OEB-approved rate base, as it is within 0.2% of the OEB-approved amount.

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#### 3.0 UTILITY RATE BASE FORECAST

B2M LP's utility rate base calculations for the test years are filed at Exhibit C-01-01,

23 Attachment 5.

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- B2M LP's approved rate base for the 2020 historical year is compared to the 2025 test
- year, as shown in Table 2. B2M LP's most recent historical year, the 2024 bridge year and
- the 2025 to 2029 forecast years are shown in Table 3. The mid-year gross plant balance
- reflects the forecast capital expenditure programs and in-service additions.

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Table 2 - Transmission Rate Base (\$ M)

Description	2020 OEB- approved	Test 2025
Mid-Year Gross Plant	549.2	550.4
Mid-Year Accumulated Depreciation	(60.8)	(95.3)
Mid-Year Net Plant	488.4	455.1
Cash Working Capital	0.0	0.0
Materials and Supply Inventory	0.0	0.0
Transmission Rate Base	488.4	455.1
% Change		(6.8%)

Table 3 - Transmission Rate Base (\$ M)

Decerinties	Actual	Bridge			Test		
Description	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Mid-Year Gross Plant	550.4	550.4	550.4	550.4	550.4	550.4	550.4
Mid-Year Accumulated Depreciation	(81.7)	(88.6)	(95.3)	(101.8)	(108.2)	(114.7)	(121.2)
Mid-Year Net Plant	468.6	461.8	455.1	448.6	442.1	435.7	429.2
Cash Working Capital	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Materials and Supply Inventory	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Transmission Rate Base	468.6	461.8	455.1	448.6	442.1	435.7	429.2
Year over year % change		(1.4%)	(1.4%)	(1.4%)	(1.4%)	(1.5%)	(1.5%)

- 9 Table 4 provides historical and bridge year continuity of total fixed assets. Further details
- in gross plant are discussed in Exhibit B-01-03, Attachment 1 from Sections 3.2 through
- 4.3. The in-service forecast is outlined in Section 5 of this exhibit.

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Table 4 - Continuity of Fixed Assets Summary (\$ M)

Description	OEB- Approved		Historio		Bridge	Test	
	2020	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Opening Gross Asset Balance	547.7	547.7	549.4	550.2	550.4	550.4	550.4
In-Service Additions	3.0	1.7	0.8	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0
Retirements	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Sales	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Transfers / Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Closing Gross Asset Balance	550.7	549.4	550.2	550.4	550.4	550.4	550.4

Table 5 includes a continuity of 2025 to 2029 forecast in-service additions, as follows:

Table 5 - Continuity of Fixed Assets Summary (\$ M)

Description			Test		
Description	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Opening Gross Asset Balance	550.4	550.4	550.4	550.4	550.4
In-Service Additions	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Retirements	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Sales	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Transfers / Other	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Closing Gross Asset Balance	550.4	550.4	550.4	550.4	550.4

#### 4.0 CASH WORKING CAPITAL

In 2013, B2M LP retained Navigant Consulting Inc. (now Guidehouse) to undertake a lead-lag study on its working capital requirements. The study found that the flows of revenue and expenses substantially offset each other, resulting in an approximately zero requirement for cash working capital. Further details on the working capital study are filed in B2M LP's 2015-2019 transmission rate application (EB-2015-0026). B2M LP's expenses and revenues continue to be generally synchronized, and no working capital is requested in this application.

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# 5.0 IN-SERVICE ADDITIONS

- In-service additions represent increases to rate base as a result of capital work being
- 3 declared in-service and ready for use.

- 5 Table 5 provides an overview of B2M LP's in-service additions over the historical 2020 to
- 2023 period, the 2024 bridge year, and the 2025 to 2029 forecast years. B2M LP has no
- 7 planned capital expenditures or associated in-service additions forecasted in gross plant
- 8 for the rate period.

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Table 6 - In-Service Capital Additions (2020 - 2029) (\$ M)

						Histo	orical							Bridge		Forecast
		2020		2021		2022			2023			2024			2025 - 2029	
	Actual	Plan	Var*	Actual	Plan	Var*	Actual	Plan	Var*	Actual	Plan	Var*	Actual	Plan	Var*	Plan
System Access	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
System Renewal	1.7	3.0	(1.3)	0.8	0.0	0.8	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
System Service	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
General Plant	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total	1.7	3.0	(1.3)	0.8	0.0	0.8	0.2	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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- In 2020, B2M LP received approval for \$3.0M in capital expenditures to address defective
- insulators on the older section of its transmission line. From 2020 to 2022, B2M LP
- incurred \$2.7M in capital expenditures for these new assets, which were placed in-service
- 4 under the System Renewal category. Further information regarding this capital
- 5 expenditure is found in Exhibit B-01-03, Attachment 1, Section 4.2 of the TSP.

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# **CONTINUITY OF PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT**

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# CONTINUITY OF PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT – ACCUMULATED DEPRECIATION

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# FIXED ASSET CONTINUITY SCHEDULE: DX CHAPTER 2 APPENDIX 2-BA (2020 – 2025)

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# FIXED ASSET CONTINUITY SCHEDULES: DX CHAPTER 2 APPENDIX 2 2-BA (2025 – 2029)

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# STATEMENT OF UTILITY RATE BASE

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# **PERFORMANCE MEASURES**

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

- In B2M LP's application for 2015-2019 revenue requirement (EB-2015-0026); B2M LP proposed the tracking and annual reporting of four outcome measures:
  - System Average Interruption Frequency (SAIDI);
  - System Average Interruption Duration (SAIFI);
  - Average System Availability; and
  - NERC Vegetation Compliance.

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In the EB-2015-0026 Decision and Order, the OEB approved B2M LP's proposal and directed B2M LP to also report annually on the operations, maintenance and administration cost per kilometer of line as a measure to track B2M LP's continuous improvement in cost efficiency. The Decision and Order also stated that the OEB did not require B2M LP to file a draft scorecard at that time.<sup>1</sup>

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During B2M LP's 2020 – 2024 revenue requirement proceeding (EB-2019-0178), B2M LP indicated that the traditional definition of SAIDI and SAIFI did not apply to B2M LP given that the entity did not have any customer delivery points. Those measures rely on interruption data at a delivery point. As a result, the Parties agreed in the EB-2019-0178 settlement agreement that in the absence of SAIDI and SAIFI metrics, additional information would be provided to reflect the performance of B2M LP's transmission circuits. B2M LP agreed that it would provide two performance metrics which measure interruptions to Hydro One delivery points caused by B2M LP's circuits. The revised T-SAIDI and T-SAIFI descriptions are provided in Appendix A below.

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Given the nature of B2M LP's assets, the performance of the equipment does not lend itself to applying the typical measures that might be in place for other transmitters. B2M LP's transmission system consist solely of a single 500kV double circuit transmission

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Decision and Order in Proceeding EB-2015-0026, page 11.

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line (circuits B560V and B561M) between the Bruce Nuclear Generating Station and the 1 Milton Switching Station but does not include any terminal breakers or other operable 2 assets. The demarcation point of each of the circuits is at a tower outside of the stations, 3 as noted in Exhibit B-01-01. B2M LP does not directly supply any customer delivery 4 points (or meter assets), which are the basis of interruption-based reliability performance 5 measures like SAIDI and SAIFI. However, SAIDI and SAIFI values for HONI can be 6 impacted by outages caused by B2M LP assets. As stated in the settlement agreement 7 from EB-2019-0178, B2M LP will report SAIDI and SAIFI contribution caused by B2M 8

assets (T-SAIDI B2MLP Contribution and T-SAIFI B2MLP Contribution).

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#### 2.0 PERFORMANCE MEASURES

B2M LP is proposing to continue to track its performance by utilizing most of the measures approved by the OEB in proceeding EB-2015-0026, and the Settlement Agreement in EB-2019-0178. Below are the list of performance measures:

- Transmission System Average Interruption Frequency B2MLP Contribution;
- Transmission System Average Interruption Duration B2MLP Contribution;
- Average System Availability;
- NERC Vegetation Compliance; and
- Maintenance Cost per Circuit Kilometer.

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The performance measures will be tracked annually, and the results of this tracking will be reported to the OEB at the next proceeding. B2M LP has aligned its performance measures to the OEB's Renewed Regulatory Framework (RRF) outcomes to ensure that B2M LP is monitoring and measuring performance relative to these outcomes.

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Table 1 provides a summary of the results for the years 2020 to 2023, forecast for 2024 and proposed targets for the years 2025 and 2029.

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Table 1 - B2M LP Performance Measures

RRF	Performance		Actu	uals		Forecast	t Target						
Outcomes	Measure	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029		
Operational Excellence	Average System Availability (%)	99.80	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0		
Operational Excellence	T-SAIDI B2MLP Contribution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Operational Excellence	T-SAIFI B2MLP Contribution	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Public Policy Responsiven ess	NERC Vegetation Compliance	Comply	Comply	Comply	Comply	Comply	Comply	Comply	Comply	Comply	Comply		
Operational Excellence	Maintenance Cost (\$K) per circuit kilometer <sup>2</sup>	5.4	3.6	2.4	2.8	4.9	4.9	3.6	6.9	7.4	3.4		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Circuit kms refer to total route kms multiplied by number of circuits per km. For B2M LP, this is 176 kms x 2 circuits = 352 kms.

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In all cases, the performance measures verify that the assets are operating within expected parameters and continue to serve the electricity consumers of Ontario effectively.

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The variations in the B2M LP Maintenance expenses are mainly a result of the cyclical vegetation management program required for compliance with NERC standards. The asset is divided into 4 ROW sections that undergo major vegetation management maintenance in the form of Line Clearing and Brush Control every 6 years. Two of these projects are scheduled for maintenance in 2024 and 2025, whereas the remaining two are scheduled in 2027 and 2028. In addition, as explained in Exhibit F-02-01, during detailed helicopter inspections several spacer dampers were observed to be defective. To ensure reliability and prevent further conductor failures, HONI undertook a multi-year and multi-faceted maintenance program to repair these spacer dampers and any other defective components. The program is expected to continue until 2029, following which Maintenance Unit Costs are expected to drop by \$3K per Circuit Kilometer.

#### APPENDIX A – DESCRIPTION OF THE PERFORMANCE MEASURES

### Average System Availability

"System Availability" is a measure of the extent to which the transmission line(s) are available for use within the system. For the purposes of quantifying this metric, the cause of the forced outages that would contribute to the unavailability of the transmission lines would be limited to factors affecting assets owned by B2M LP as opposed to any other equipment, owned by HONI, which could also cause the transmission line(s) to be removed from service.

$$= 1 - \left(\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N_L} F_{L_i}}{T_L}\right) \quad x \quad 100\%$$

• F<sub>Li</sub> is the annual forced outage duration in hours due to transmission line-related outages of circuit L<sub>i</sub>.

 $\bullet$  T<sub>L</sub> is the inventory (expressed in 100 km-hours) of all in-service transmission circuits.

• N<sub>i</sub> is the total number of in-service transmission circuits

# Contribution to Delivery Point Performance

B2M LP Assets do not contain any delivery points. As a result, traditional delivery point performance metrics do not apply. In this place, two substitute performance metrics are utilized.

T-SAIDI (Transmission System Average Interruption Duration Index) Contribution (minutes per DP per year) measures the B2M asset contribution to HONI's overall SAIDI. Similarly, T-SAIFI (Transmission System Average Interruption Frequency Index) Contribution (# of interruptions per DP per year) measures the B2M asset contribution to HONI's overall SAIFI.

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The formulae for the two measures are as follows:

$$T - SAIFI_{B2MLP\ Contribution} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{k} (SF_i + MF_i)}{n}$$

$$T - SAIDI_{B2MLP\ Contribution} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{k} (SD_i)}{n}$$

6 Where:

- *n* is the total number of HONI delivery points.
- *k* is the total number of HONI delivery points that may be impacted by B2M LP circuits.
- SF and MF are the number of sustained and momentary interruptions experienced at Delivery Point i in a given year caused by B2M LP circuits.
- SD is the duration of the sustained interruptions experienced at Delivery Point i in a given year caused by B2M LP circuits.

Only forced direct outages are included in performance measures. Lines being removed from service due to non-circuit issues, i.e. subordinate outages, are excluded from performance measures. Only line outages are included in performance measures. Line terminal outages, such as outages caused by P&C mis-operations, are excluded from performance measures as these terminal assets are not owned by B2M LP.

#### **NERC Vegetation Compliance**

NERC Vegetation Compliance is a measure of the extent to which B2M LP is compliant with NERC's Standard FAC-003-05 'Transmission Vegetation Management'. NERC developed a Transmission Vegetation Management Standard with the objective to prevent vegetation-related outages which could contribute to a cascading grid failure, especially under heavy electrical loading conditions. Each transmission owner is required to have a transmission vegetation management program designed to control vegetation on the active transmission line ROW in accordance with the requirements in

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- NERC Standard FAC-003-05. Compliance with the Standard is mandatory and
- 2 enforceable.

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# REVENUE REQUIREMENT

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# 1.0 SUMMARY OF REVENUE REQUIREMENT

B2M LP follows standard regulatory practice and has calculated its revenue requirement as follows:

**Table 1 - Revenue Requirement (\$M)** 

Components	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	Reference
OM&A	3.1	2.7	3.9	4.1	2.8	Exhibit F-01-01
Depreciation	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	Exhibit F-05-01
Income Taxes	2.4	2.6	2.9	3.0	3.2	Exhibit F-06-01, Attachment 1
Return on Capital	25.7	25.6	25.3	24.9	24.5	Exhibit G-01-01
Total Revenue Requirement	37.8	37.5	38.6	38.5	37.0	
Deduct External Revenues and Other <sup>1</sup>	(0.8)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	Exhibit H-01-01
Rates Revenue Requirement	37.0	37.5	38.6	38.5	37.0	Exhibit E-01-01, Attachment 1

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The above rates revenue requirement is the amount required by B2M LP to achieve its business objectives, provide responsible stewardship of a safe and reliable system, and minimize the impact on customer rates. The above rates revenue requirement is also a reflection of B2M LP's commitment to operating at the lowest practical cost. An excel version of the 2025 to 2029 revenue requirements has been provided at Attachment 1 of Exhibit E-01-01.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> This comprises of the disposition of Earnings Sharing Mechanism (ESM) regulatory account.

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# 2.0 CALCULATION OF REVENUE REQUIREMENT

The details of the revenue requirement components are as follows:

# 2.1 OM&A EXPENSE

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Table 2 - OM&A Expense (\$M)\*

	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Service Level Agreement Costs	2.6	2.2	3.3	3.5	2.1
Incremental Expenses	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7
Total OM&A	3.1	2.7	3.9	4.1	2.8

<sup>\*</sup> Exhibit F-02-01

# 2.2 DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION EXPENSE

Table 3 - Depreciation and Amortization Expense (\$M)\*

	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Depreciation	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5
Total Depreciation Expense	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5

<sup>\*</sup>Exhibit F-05-01

# 2.3 CORPORATE INCOME TAXES

Table 4 - Corporate Income Taxes (\$M)\*

	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Regulatory Taxable Income	9.2	9.8	11.0	11.5	11.9
Tax Rate	26.5%	26.5%	26.5%	26.5%	26.5%
Subtotal	2.4	2.6	2.9	3.0	3.2
Less: Credits	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Total Income Taxes	2.4	2.6	2.9	3.0	3.2

<sup>\*</sup> Exhibit F-06-01

# 2.4 RETURN ON CAPITAL

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Table 5 - Return on Capital (\$M)\*

	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Return on Debt	9.0	9.1	9.0	8.9	8.7
Return on Equity	16.8	16.5	16.3	16.0	15.8
Return on Capital	25.7	25.6	25.3	24.9	24.5

<sup>\*</sup> Exhibit G-01-01

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# 3.0 REVENUE REQUIREMENT – YEAR OVER YEAR COMPARISON

The following comparisons between the 2025 test year, the 2024 bridge year and the last OEB-approved year (2020) are provided below.

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#### 3.1 2025 TEST YEAR COMPARED TO 2024 OEB APPROVED

The change in the total revenue requirement of \$1.4M (or 3.8%) from 2024 approved revenue requirement to the 2025 revenue requirement is predominately driven by higher OM&A from overhead lines maintenance and vegetation management work programs, higher cost of debt from maturing five-year issuance, and higher tax expenses arising from lower tax deductions from capital cost allowance and loss carryforwards that were fully utilized during the historical period.

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Table 6 - Comparison of 2025 to 2024 OEB-approved

Description  Total Devenue Requirement		2025 (\$M)	2025 vs. 2024 (\$M)	2025 vs. 2024 (%)
Total Revenue Requirement	36.4	37.8	1.4	3.8%

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# 3.2 2025 TEST YEAR VS 2020 OEB-APPROVED

- The difference in the 2025 revenue requirement compared to the 2020 OEB-approved test
- year is predominantly driven by higher costs of OM&A, debt and taxes, as further
- explained in Exhibit F-02-01, Exhibit G-01-01, and Exhibit F-06-01, respectively.

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# Table 7 - Impact of the Individual Components on Total Revenue Requirement

Description	2020 (\$M)	2025 (\$M)	2025 vs. 2020 (\$M)	2025 vs. 2020 (%)
OM&A	1.2	3.1	2.0	171%
Rate Base	23.6	23.2	(0.4)	-2%
Cost of debt	7.0	9.0	2.0	29%
Tax	0.8	2.4	1.6	186%
Impact on Total Revenue Requirement	32.6	37.8	5.2	16%

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# **CALCULATION OF REVENUE REQUIREMENT (2025 - 2029)**

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# **OPERATING COSTS SUMMARY**

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

- This exhibit presents an overview of B2M LP's operating costs and includes the following elements, for which the overall costs are shown in Table 1 below:
  - Operation, Maintenance and Administrative (OM&A),
  - Depreciation and Amortization, and
  - Income Taxes.

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**Table 1 - Operating Costs (\$M)** 

Description	H	listoric	al Year	s	Bridge Year	Forecast					
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	
OM&A	2.8	2.0	1.6	2.5	3.1	3.1	2.7	3.9	4.1	2.8	
Depreciation and Amortization	7.4	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	
Income Taxes	0.6	1.2	1.5	1.8	2.0	2.4	2.6	2.9	3.0	3.2	
Total Operating Costs	10.8	10.1	10.0	11.1	12.0	12.0	11.8	13.3	13.6	12.4	

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The annual average of the proposed operating costs for the 2025 – 2029 is forecast to be \$12.6M, an increase of \$2.1M compared to historical average within 2020 - 2024. This increase is primarily due to higher OM&A as a result of higher work program needs to ensure reliability, the inclusion of shared asset allocation from HONI, as well as higher insurance costs. This is further outlined in Exhibit F-02-01. The increase in operating costs during the test year is also driven in part by higher income tax arising from lower tax deductions from capital cost allowance and loss carryforwards that were fully utilized during the historical period. Further details can be found in exhibit F-06-01.

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#### 2.0 KEY ELEMENTS OF OPERATING COSTS

2 B2M LP's operating costs forecast has been developed to sustain the safe and reliable

3 operation of its transmission assets.

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# 5 2.1 OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE (OM&A)

- 6 B2M LP is managed by its general partner, HOIP, which retains HONI under a Service
- Level Agreement, to plan and organize the operation and maintenance of the assets and
- provide certain corporate and administrative support as outlined in Exhibit F-03-01.

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- OM&A expenses are derived from the various work programs and functions performed by
- or on behalf of the Partnership. Further details on the OM&A costs are provided in Exhibit
- 12 F-02-01.

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# 2.2 DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION

- The depreciation expense for B2M LP in this Application is supported by the appropriate
- depreciation rates approved for Hydro One Transmission in support of its 2023 to 2027
- 17 Rate Application (EB-2021-0110). Further details are provided in Exhibit F-05-01.

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## 2.3 INCOME TAXES

- 20 Under the *Income Tax Act*, a partnership is not taxable but is required to compute its
- taxable income, which is then allocated to its partners. Details of the calculation of the
- Income Tax expense are shown in Exhibit F-06-01.

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# **SUMMARY OF OM&A EXPENDITURES**

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#### 1.0 SUMMARY OF OM&A EXPENDITURES

- The proposed Operation, Maintenance, and Administration (OM&A) expenses represent the work required by B2M LP to meet public and employee safety objectives, maintain transmission reliability, and to comply with regulatory requirements, and environmental requirements. Key components in the build-up of OM&A requirements are:
  - Service Level Agreement (SLA) with HONI, and
  - Ongoing Incremental Expenses directly incurred by the Partnership

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Table 1 provides a summary of the actual OM&A expenditure and forecast expenditure for each year of the rate term, and a breakdown of the key components within OM&A. Tables 2 and 3 provide the breakdown of SLA Costs, and Incremental Expenses respectively. Descriptions of the components within SLA, Incremental Expenses, and variance explanations within each of these components (where applicable) are provided in Section 2.0 below.

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Overall, B2M LP OM&A spending is low in comparison to other transmitters in Ontario. This relates primarily to the characteristics of the assets that it owns. B2M LP owns a 176 km 500kV double-circuit transmission line that is parallel to an existing 500kV double-circuit line, so servicing of the line is efficient given its proximity to the existing circuit. Additionally, B2M LP owns no station assets, which often have additional maintenance requirements beyond those experienced by Lines assets like those owned by B2M LP.

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More details on the historical and future spending on each of these components are included below.

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Table 1 – Summary of OM&A (\$M)

	Historical											Bri	dge	Test Period (Forecast)						
		2020			2021 2022		2022		2022			2023		20	24	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
	Plan*	Act	Var	Plan*	Act	Var	Plan*	Act	Var	Plan*	Act	Var	Plan*	Fcst	Fcst	Fcst	Fcst	Fcst	Fcst	
SLA Costs	0.7	2.4	1.7	0.7	1.6	0.9	0.8	1.3	0.5	0.8	2	1.3	0.8	2.5	2.6	2.2	3.3	3.5	2.1	
Incremental Expenses	0.4	0.4	0	0.4	0.3	(0.1)	0.4	0.4	(0.1)	0.5	0.4	(0.0)	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	
Total OM&A	1.2	2.8	1.6	1.2	2.0	0.8	1.2	1.6	0.4	1.2	2.5	1.2	1.3	3.1	3.1	2.7	3.9	4.1	2.8	

<sup>\*</sup>The Plan values reflect the test year values (2020) approved by the OEB as part of the previous revenue requirement application, EB-2019-0178, as escalated by approved Revenue Cap Index values.

#### 2.0 KEY COMPONENTS OF THE OM&A EXPENDITURES

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#### 2.1 SLA COSTS

Majority of the OM&A expenses required to satisfy the obligation and objectives of the company arise as a result of the SLA between HONI and B2M LP. The services procured by B2M LP from HONI are not reasonably available in the market in the manner, type, and quantity that fits with B2M LP's requirements. There are no known service providers that can unilaterally provide these bundled services in this manner. Entering a multi-vendor management arrangement would engender significant additional management costs. All services procured from HONI are done so on a fully allocated cost basis.

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Table 2 presents the required funding for these services from 2025 to 2029. Further details on these services are provided in the following sections.

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Table 2 - Total SLA Costs (\$M)

		Act	ual		Bridge					
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Maintenance	1.0	1.2	0.8	1.1	1.7	1.7	1.3	2.4	2.6	1.2
Expenses	1.9	1.3	0.6	1.1	1.7	1.7	1.3	2.4	2.6	1.2
Shared Asset	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Allocation	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Administrative										
and Corporate	0.5	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.5	0.5	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Expenses										
Total SLA Costs	2.4	1.6	1.3	2.0	2.5	2.6	2.2	3.3	3.5	2.1

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# 2.1.1 MAINTENANCE EXPENSES

The Maintenance expenses relate to the maintenance services performed by HONI, on behalf of B2M LP under the SLA. Examples of the services received are listed below:

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 Overhead Transmission Lines maintenance including thermovision, helicopter and ground patrols; and Filed: 2024-05-23 EB-2024-0116 Exhibit F Tab 2 Schedule 1 Page 4 of 10

 Transmission ROW maintenance, including mandatory annual NERC vegetation patrols, line clearing, brush control, condition patrol and property owner notification.

Further details on the maintenance services are presented in B2M LP's Transmission System Plan in Exhibit B-03-01, Attachment 1.

### **Maintenance Variance and Forecast Explanation**

As observed in Table 1, the magnitude of the SLA annual variance between planned and actual costs was between \$0.5M and \$1.7M for the 2020 – 2024 period. This variance is related to increased maintenance expenses caused by the spacer damper repair program and the cyclical nature of the ROW vegetation management program.

SLA costs, have on average been \$1.2M over the plan annually for the 2020 – 2024 period. This overage was primarily driven by unplanned spacer damper repairs between 2020 and 2024 which led to increased Maintenance expenditures. In late 2019, a failure occurred due to broken conductors, which caused a significant outage impacting Bruce Power. This was due to a defective spacer damper. Upon conducting Detailed Helicopter Inspections (DHI) it was observed that many other spacer dampers had similar issues. To ensure reliability and prevent further conductor failures, B2M LP initiated an unplanned, multi-year maintenance program to identify and repair defective spacer dampers. This program is expected to continue until 2029 when all defective spacer dampers will be repaired. As a result, B2M LP is continuing to forecast a higher than usual maintenance budget for 2025 – 2029. Maintenance costs are anticipated to reduce by \$1M annually after 2029 once the Spacer Damper Repair Program has been fully executed.

As explained in Exhibit B-01-03, Attachment 1, Section 3.3, major vegetation maintenance (Line Clearing and Brush Control) activities are completed once every six years on a ROW. Aerial and ground vegetation patrol & mitigation programs completed during other years have significantly lower unit costs associated with them. B2M LP assets are divided into four ROW segments to determine maintenance activities for labour and equipment

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availability. One of the segments is scheduled for maintenance in 2024, whereas the remaining three segments are scheduled in 2027 and 2028. As a result, as outlined in Table 2, maintenance costs are higher for these years compared to 2029.

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### **Unplanned Maintenance Program**

- To ensure reliability and prevent further conductor failures, B2M LP is continuing the unplanned maintenance program until 2029. This program consists of the following activities:
  - Annual DHIs supplementing thermovision helicopter patrols to identify high risk line defects requiring immediate mitigation, and prioritization of other defects requiring mitigation within the next 12 months; and
  - Specifically identifying spacer dampers requiring repairs over the next 12 months and completing work in a cost-effective manner.

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This program was initiated in 2020 and is expected to be complete by end of 2029. For 2025 to 2029 rate period, this program is expected to cost \$1.2M annually.

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Once all the defective spacer dampers are repaired, B2M LP is proposing to retain the Annual DHIs after 2029 as an ongoing incremental maintenance expense of \$0.1M. DHIs have been included within maintenance expenses from 2020 through 2029, and have proven to be useful in facilitating planning of medium-term defect mitigation (defects that do not require immediate mitigation but need to be addressed within 12 months). Mitigating defects in this manner minimizes disruptions to landowners, streamlines activity with planned in-year outages, and allows for optimization of labour and equipment. Customers benefit from DHIs through greater assurance that defects requiring near-term mitigation are not missed. Proactive defect mitigation also reduces unplanned outages, which can reduce system reliability and carry significantly higher defect mitigation costs.

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#### 2.1.1 SHARED ASSET ALLOCATION

B2M LP is charged transfer pricing by HONI for the use of certain shared assets. The shared asset costs allocated to B2M LP include those for major fixed assets and intangible

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assets, as well as minor fixed assets. The forecast amount of \$0.3M per year mainly

- relates to HONI's SAP system, an enterprise-wide system that integrates work
- management, finance, supply chain and other enterprise software. Transfer pricing for
- shared assets is being considered in this application as B2M LP is utilizing HONI' assets.
- 5 Further details on the Shared Asset Allocation are described in Exhibit F-03-01.

## 2.1.2 ADMINISTRATIVE AND CORPORATE EXPENSES INCLUDING OPERATING SERVICES

The Administrative and Corporate Expenses include the costs arising from the support functions provided by HONI to B2M LP for administrative services and systems. The investment in those systems and the cost of their operation are incurred by HONI but are allocated to Hydro One Inc. and its affiliates through a cost allocation methodology.

This methodology lowers costs for all of the Hydro One Inc. subsidiaries by providing access to a sophisticated administration infrastructure at a lower cost than if each built its own unique and independent system. This sharing of costs for a unified infrastructure benefits ratepayers through lower rates and has been accepted by the OEB in numerous previous proceedings, including B2M LP's 2020 to 2024 Transmission Rates Application (EB-2019-0178). Per the methodology, corporate cost allocations include operating services as described below:

- Monitoring/Control of the transmission system, including alarm monitoring, asset monitoring, and minor control;
- Asset Operation within HONI-prescribed limits including application of HONI
  equipment directives and switching on Hydro One transmission system to regulate
  B2M LP 's transmission system;
- Emergency Response to transmission system events, including response to IESOdirected emergency actions, and implementation of load shedding;
- Outage Processing including scheduling, planning, and submitting to IESO;
- Crew Dispatching, including 24/7 assessment, contacting, and dispatching;
- Record Maintenance including retention of logged items, retention of SCADA information, and trip reports; and

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• Power System IT Support of the power system applications used by operators.

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The result of this allocation is \$0.5M to \$0.6M in administrative and corporate expenses throughout the rate term. This is consistent with the level of costs experienced in the past when considering the shift in classification of operating services cost allocation to corporate costs based on the Black and Veatch study that was approved in the 2023-2027 Hydro One Distribution and Transmission Custom IR Application (EB-2021-0110). Further details on the common corporate costs and cost allocation methodology are provided in Exhibit F-04-01.

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## 2.2 INCREMENTAL EXPENSES

There are certain functions that must be executed by B2M LP to meet its obligations and objectives that are not supported by the SLA with HONI. Table 3 presents the required funding in the test period, along with the actual and planned spending levels for the bridge and historical years. Further details on these functions are provided in the following sections.

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Table 3 - Total Incremental Expenses (\$M)

Description		Historical Brid						Bridge	Test Period (Forecast)					
	2020		2	2021		2022		023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
	Plan	Actual	Plan	Actual	Plan	Actual	Plan	Actual	Fcst	Fcst	Fcst	Fcst	Fcst	Fcst
Insurance	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Regulatory	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2
Administrative	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Managing Director's Office	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Total Incremental Expense	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.4	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7

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#### 2.2.1 INSURANCE

- 2 B2M LP is obligated, by agreement and by good utility practice, to maintain an appropriate
- level of insurance to protect its assets, its owners and its customers from catastrophic
- 4 loss. B2M LP is fortunate to be able to leverage the existing HONI insurance policies,
- rather than procuring insurance protection unilaterally, resulting in cost savings for B2M
- 6 LP. The annual premiums for this insurance are about \$0.2 M from 2025 to 2029.

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## 8 2.2.2 REGULATORY

B2M LP incurs regulatory expenses related to its transmission revenue requirement application proceedings, which require rebasing on a five-year term based on the OEB Filing Requirements. Over the 2025 to 2029 rate period, there are forecast regulatory costs ranging between \$0.1M and \$0.2M to cover costs for notice, intervenors, OEB hearing charges and other items incurred directly by B2M LP.

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#### 2.2.3 ADMINISTRATIVE

B2M LP incurs administrative expenses for other external fees and expenses not otherwise covered, such as auditor and professional fees, statutory remittances, and other items. The administrative expenses included in the test years are \$0.1M annually, which are in line with the actual spend in the historical years.

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#### 2.2.4 MANAGING DIRECTOR'S OFFICE

The partnership has one employee, the Managing Director, who is empowered to oversee and operate the partnership. The duties of this person include:

- Monitoring and ensuring that the terms and conditions of the partnership agreement are fulfilled;
- Working with employees from HONI and other entities to ensure that the Applicant and its assets are properly maintained and administered;
- Managing and Chairing Advisory Committee meetings with the partners on a regular basis, as spelled out in the partnership agreement;

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- Ensuring that the partners are kept well informed and advised of the partnership's operations, and educated on what it means to be a transmission owner and operator in Ontario;
  - Authorizing the disbursement of funds by the partnership to meets it obligations and expenses;
  - Instituting communications with communities and the public at large, through meetings, websites and other media;
  - Representing the partnership with various stakeholders at hearings, industry events and other situations; and
  - Any and all other duties that may be required to represent the partnership and effectively support its operations.

To complete these tasks, the Managing Director's Office is provided an annual budget for things such as salary, office, communication, and other expenses that may be required. The total Managing Director's Office expense included in each test year is \$0.2M to \$0.3M, which is in line with the average annual spend over the historical years.

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## **AFFILIATE SERVICE AGREEMENTS**

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

This exhibit discusses the agreements between B2M LP and HONI for operations services, maintenance services, and common administrative and corporate services. 5

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## 2.0 THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE SERVICE LEVEL AGREEMENT

B2M LP and HONI identified the nature of the services required for the safe and prudent operation of B2M LP's transmission assets in accordance with good utility practice. An Agreement for Operations and Management Services, dated December 18, 2019 (Agreement), capturing these requirements was reviewed and approved by each company's accountable officer for a term of five years. As the term expires at the end of 2024, a renewed Agreement will be developed for the next five-year period, having substantially the same terms and conditions. The expectation is that this renewed Agreement will be approved by each of the company's accountable officers upon expiration of the initial term.

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### 3.0 TERMS AND CONDITIONS

In accordance with the Applicant's transmission licence, the Affiliate Relationships Code (ARC), and all other applicable codes, rules, orders and decisions of the OEB, the Agreement describes the terms and conditions of the services that HONI provides to B2M LP. This includes the provision of Operations Services, Maintenance Services, as well as Administrative and Corporate Services. Further details about these services and the key clauses are provided below.

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#### 3.1 PROVISION OF OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES

The Agreement addresses the provision by HONI to B2M LP of operations. maintenance, and certain common administrative and corporate services. A description of the services contained in the Agreement is provided in Table 1.

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**Table 1 - Service Level Agreement** 

Services Provider	Services Recipient(s)	Description of Services
Hydro One Networks Inc.	B2M LP	a) Operations Services – monitoring and control of the transmission system, in accordance with the requirements of B2M LP's transmission licence and all services required to fulfill all of B2M LP's obligations under its Connection Agreement and the IESO-B2M LP operating requirements.
Hydro One Networks Inc.	B2M LP	b) Maintenance Services — all maintenance, repair and refurbishment services, in accordance with the requirements of B2M LP's transmission licence and all services required to fulfill all of B2M LP's obligations under its Connection Agreement and the IESO-B2M LP operating requirements.
Hydro One Networks Inc.	B2M LP	c) Administrative and Corporate Services – some corporate and administrative services provided by HONI, including finance and regulatory support, tax advice and returns preparation, treasury, communications and government relations, legal advice, real estate support, corporate security services, and First Nations support.

## 3.2 FEES

Pursuant to the ARC, where a utility provides to an affiliate a service, resource, product or use of an asset, for which a reasonably competitive market exists, the utility shall charge no less than the greater of (i) the market price of that service, product, resource or use of asset, and (ii) the utility's fully-allocated cost to provide that service, product, resource or use of asset. In purchasing such a service, resource, product or use of an asset from an affiliate, a utility shall pay no more than the market price for that service, product, resource or use of asset. Where no reasonably competitive market exists, a utility shall charge no less than its fully-allocated cost to provide the service, product, resource or use of asset, and a utility receiving such service, product, resource or use of asset shall pay no more than the affiliate's fully-allocated cost to provide the service, product, resource or use of asset. The level of costs for B2M LP's services was determined in accordance with the principles above, where the fees charged for the operations services and management services provided by HONI to B2M LP are set in line with fully-allocated costs, as further described Exhibit F-03-01, Attachment 1.

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The services procured by B2M LP from HONI are not reasonably available in the market 1 in the manner, type and quantity that fits with B2M LP's requirements. There is no known 2 provider that can unilaterally provide these bundled services in this manner. To enter 3 into a multi-vendor arrangement would give rise to significant additional management 4 costs. As a result, the services procured from HONI are done so on a fully-allocated cost 5 basis. For a demonstration of the efficacy of the costs, B2M LP relies on the Black & 6 Veatch study of B2M LP's costs previously completed for HONI and shared with B2M 7 LP. 8

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#### 3.3 BUDGETS, ACCOUNTS AND RIGHT TO AUDIT

HONI must provide HOIP with a proposed annual operating, maintenance and capital improvement budget for the subsequent fiscal year at least 60 days prior to the commencement of the next fiscal year. Such annual budget is accompanied by an annual operating plan prepared by HONI. HOIP notifies HONI, within 30 days after receipt of the budget, of any issues with respect to the proposed budget, and the two parties cooperate with each other in developing a mutually acceptable budget within the next 30 days.

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HONI and HOIP agree that the budget may be amended from time to time by mutual agreement to reflect revisions necessitated by unanticipated circumstances, including such as changes in applicable laws, additions or deletions to the scope of the services, emergencies and force majeure events.

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If HONI becomes aware that the costs of services for the current fiscal year may exceed the budget by 5% or more, HONI must promptly notify HOIP of such anticipated budget overrun and provide HOIP with a proposed amendment to the budget.

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HOIP must notify HONI within 30 days after receipt of HONI's proposed budget amendment of any issues, and the parties must cooperate with each other in developing a mutually acceptable amendment to the budget. Except in the case of an emergency,

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HONI is not allowed to perform any services without the prior approval of HOIP, if such services would result in a cost overrun.

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In the event of an accident or emergency relating to the B2M LP assets, HONI may take 4 action to address the situation without obtaining approval from HOIP. This may result in 5 spending funds deemed by HONI to be reasonably necessary under the circumstances. 6 As promptly and as reasonably practicable after HONI establishes control over such 7 accident or emergency, HONI must furnish HOIP with a reasonably detailed written 8 description of the accident or emergency and the manner in which such accident or 9 emergency was handled by HONI. As well, B2M LP must pay HONI for these costs as 10 incurred but may enter a dispute if so warranted. 11

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Except in the case of an emergency, HONI must perform all services in accordance with the annual operating plan accompanying the Budget. HONI and HOIP agree to keep all necessary and proper accounts and records relating to services provided by HONI, and these accounts and records shall be open to audit and inspection for a period of six years.

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## 3.4 DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCEDURE

If the parties have a dispute under the agreement that cannot be resolved by a conference of their respective senior officers, a written notice outlining the specifics of the dispute will be passed to the parties' respective Leaders. Five business days after receipt of written notice, if the dispute remains unresolved, the matter is referred to arbitration for final resolution.

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## 4.0 SHARED ASSET ALLOCATION

B2M LP is charged transfer pricing by HONI for the use of certain shared assets. The service level agreement between B2M LP and HONI for services provided to, or received from, HONI are described above. The shared assets allocated to B2M LP include major fixed assets and intangible assets, as well as minor fixed assets. For example, one significant shared asset is the SAP system, which is software that

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- integrates work management, finance, supply chain and customer service and other
- enterprise software. The methodology for calculating the transfer pricing is described in
- more detail in HONI's 2023 to 2027 Custom IR application in EB-2021-0110, Exhibit E-
- 4 04-08, Attachment 1. The OEB accepted HONI's use of Black and Veatch's Shared
- 5 Asset allocation methodology in the HONI 2023 to 2027 Custom IR proceeding.

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## THIS AGREEMENT FOR OPERATIONS SERVICES AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES effective as of the 18<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.

#### **BETWEEN:**

**Hydro One Networks Inc.** ("Hydro One Networks")

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Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships Inc. ("HOIP")

-and-

**B2M Limited Partnership** ("B2M LP") by its general partner, Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships Inc.

#### WHEREAS:

- 1) B2M LP is the transmitter licensed under the *Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998* to own and operate the second 500KV electric transmission tower line spanning approximately 180 kilometres from the Bruce Power Nuclear Generating Station in Kincardine, Ontario to Hydro One Networks' switchyard in Milton, Ontario (the "BXM Line"), which line went into commercial service in May 2012.
- 2) HOIP is an affiliate of Hydro One Networks within the meaning of the ARC.
- 3) B2M LP wishes to subcontract the operation of the BXM Line to Hydro One Networks as further set out herein.
- 4) B2M LP and Hydro One Networks are parties to an agreement for operations services and management services dated December 17, 2014 (the "2014 Services Agreement") and they have agreed to terminate the 2014 Services Agreement.
- 5) HOIP wishes to obtain the assistance of Hydro One Networks, from time to time, via a new agreement in connection with certain management functions associated with the transmission business of B2M LP.
- The parties are entering this Agreement to define their respective rights and obligations with respect to management and operation of the BXM Line.

**NOW THEREFORE** in consideration of the foregoing and the mutual covenants, agreements, terms and conditions contained herein, the parties intending to be legally bound hereby agree as follows:

## **ARTICLE I: DEFINITIONS**

#### 1.1 Defined Terms

Capitalized terms which are not otherwise defined herein shall have the meaning given to them in the ARC. In addition to terms defined elsewhere in this Agreement, unless there is something in the subject matter or context inconsistent therewith, the following capitalized terms, wherever used in this Agreement, shall have the following meanings:

"Act" means the Ontario Energy Board Act, 1998, as amended from time to time;

"Agreement" means this Agreement and all amendments made hereto by written Agreement between the parties in accordance with the terms of this Agreement;

"ARC" means the Affiliate Relationships Code for Electricity Distributors and Transmitters issued by the OEB in accordance with the Act, as amended from time to time;

"B2M LP Transmission Licence" means the licence or licence issued to B2M LP by the OEB pursuant to the Act and in effect from time to time;

"Claims" means all losses, costs, damages, expenses, injuries, liabilities, claims, demands and penalties, including reasonable legal fees, experts' fees and court costs, whether incurred through settlement or otherwise, and interest on each of these items, in each case whether arising prior to or after the termination of this Agreement.

"Connection Facilities Agreement" means the connection facilities agreement dated December 17, 2014 between B2M LP and Hydro One Networks governing the interconnection of the BXM Line with the transmission systems owned and operated by Hydro One Networks;

"Effective Date" shall be the date first written above.

"Fees" means collectively the Operations Fees and the Management Fees;

"Force Majeure Event" means, in relation to a Person, any event or circumstance, or combination of events or circumstances,

- (i) that is beyond the reasonable control of the Person;
- (ii) that adversely affects the performance by the Person of its obligations under this Agreement; and
- (iii) the adverse effects of which could not have been reasonably foreseen or prevented, overcome, remedied or mitigated in whole or in part by the Person through the exercise of diligence and reasonable care and includes, but is not limited to, acts of war (whether declared or undeclared), invasion, armed conflict or act of foreign enemy, blockade, embargo, revolution, riot, insurrection, civil disobedience or disturbances, vandalism or acts of terrorism, strikes, lockouts, restnct1ve work practices or other labour disturbances, unlawful arrests or restraints by government or governmental, administrative or regulatory agencies or authorities unless the result of a violation by the Person of a permit, licence or other authorization or of any applicable law, and acts of God including lightning,

earthquake, fire, flood, landslide, unusually heavy or prolonged rain or accumulation of snow or ice or lack of water arising from weather or environmental problems; provided however, for greater certainty, that the lack, insufficiency or non-availability of funds shall not constitute a Force Majeure Event;

"Good Utility Practice" means any of the practices, methods and acts engaged in or approved by a significant portion of the electric utility industry in North America during the relevant time period, or any of the practices, methods and acts which, in the exercise of reasonable judgment in light of the facts known at the time the decision was made, could have been expected to accomplish the desired result at a reasonable cost consistent with good business practices, reliability, safety and expedition. Good Utility Practice is not intended to be limited to the optimum practice, method, or act to the exclusion of all others, but rather to be acceptable practices, methods, or acts generally accepted in North America;

"IESO" means the Independent Electricity System Operator established under the *Electricity Act, 1998*, or its successor;

"IESO-B2M LP Operating Agreement" means the operating agreement which B2M LP has or will enter with the IESO through which the IESO ensures that the BXM Line will be operated in a manner which does not compromise the operation or reliability of the IESO-controlled grid to which the BXM Line is connected;

"OEB" means the Ontario Energy Board established pursuant to the Act;

"Operations Fees" means the fees for the Operations Services, calculated and adjusted in accordance with this Agreement;

"Operations Services" means all services required in order to operate the BXM Line, including without limitation, all operating, maintenance, repair and refurbishment matters and including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, all services in relation to the monitoring and control of the transmission of electricity across the BXM Line in accordance with the B2M LP Transmission Licence and all services required to fulfill all of B2M LP's obligations under the Connection Facilities Agreement and the IESO-B2M LP Operating Agreement;

"Management Activities" means the activities to be undertaken by HOIP in connection with the management of transmission business of the B2M LP which include:

- (i) obtaining (including preparation of applications therefor and submission thereof) licences, permits, approvals and rates required in connection with the BXM Line, the transmission of electricity thereby and the operation, maintenance, repair and replacement thereof;
- (ii) obtaining (including preparation of applications therefor and submission thereof) licences, permits, approvals and rates required in connection with the BXM Line and the transmission of electricity thereby;
- (iii) representation of the B2M LP before the OEB;
- (iv) the making or filing of declarations, filings and registrations with, or notices to, governmental authorities;

- (v) filing and managing warranty claims;
- (vi) procuring and maintaining the necessary inventory of replacement parts;
- (vii) maintaining records for the B2M LP;
- (viii) defending any litigation commenced against the B2M LP; and
  - (ix) such other management activities associated with running the transmission business of the B2M LP.

"Management Fees" means the fees for the Management Services, calculated and adjusted in accordance with this Agreement;

"Management Services" means services to be provided by Hydro One Networks to HOIP to assist HOIP with the performance of the Management Activities, which services will be requested in writing by HOIP from time to time;

"Person" means any natural person, sole proprietorship, partnership, corporation, trust, joint venture, governmental authority, incorporated or unincorporated entity, or incorporated or unincorporated association of any nature; and

"Taxes" means any and all applicable federal, state, provincial, or municipal taxes and duties including, but not limited to, sales, use, excise, value added, gross receipts, privilege or other non-recoverable taxes that are mandated or imposed on (i) Hydro One Networks by any jurisdiction or governmental entity in relation to the Operations Services and Management Services (other than taxes that are imposed upon the income, property, payroll or capital of Hydro One Networks), (ii) B2M LP (other than taxes that are imposed upon the income, property, payroll or capital of B2M LP or any of the partners of B2M LP), or HOIP (other than taxes that are imposed upon the income, property, payroll or capital of HOIP).

"Term" has the meaning ascribed to this term in Section 9.1 below.

## ARTICLE II: PROVISION OF OPERATIONS AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES

- 2.1 B2M LP may perform any Operations Services or engage another supplier to perform such services if Hydro One Networks is in default in performing its material obligations hereunder or is unable to perform its material obligations hereunder by reason of a Force Majeure Event, to the extent such services are required to ensure the continued operation of the BXM Line.
- 2.2 HOIP shall be responsible for all Management Activities related to the transmission business of B2M LP. HOIP may make a request in writing, from time to time, to Hydro One Networks, for Management Services to assist HOIP in connection with the Management Activities. Hydro One Networks agrees to provide to HOIP those Management Services requested in writing by HOIP.
- 2.3 Hydro One Networks shall at all times provide Operations Services and Management Services

in accordance with Good Utility Practice, the B2M LP Transmission Licence, the ARC, all other applicable codes, rules, orders and decisions of the OEB, which are binding upon the BXM Line, all applicable law, and provided they are not inconsistent with any of the foregoing, Hydro One Networks' own policies and procedures (which may include government directives), and shall do so in the same manner and to the same extent as it provides similar services in connection with its wholly-owned regulated transmission business. Hydro One Networks shall comply with all applicable laws in providing the Operations Services and Management Services.

- 2.4 To the extent that Hydro One Networks also provides services similar to the Operations Services or Management Services in respect of its own assets or business, Hydro One Networks will provide such Operations Services and Management Services in a non-discriminatory manner as if it were providing such services to itself or receiving a similar service in relation to its own transmission assets or business. The Fees for such Operations Services and Management Services shall be consistent with the costs incurred by Hydro One Networks for such similar services in relation to Hydro One Networks' transmission assets or business activities which are substantially similar to the BXM Line and business activities of B2M LP.
- 2.5 Upon expiration or termination of this Agreement for reasons other than the default of BM LP, and provided that B2M LP is not in default of paying the Fees owing hereunder, Hydro One Networks shall provide, at the request of B2M LP, reasonable transition support services to facilitate transition to another operating and management services entity, reimbursable on the basis of the "fully allocated cost" (as defined in the ARC), and otherwise on the terms hereof, for a period of six months following the expiration or effective date of termination of this Agreement, or such shorter period as B2M LP may request. The provisions of this Section 2.5 shall forever survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.
- 2.6 Hydro One Networks shall obtain and maintain in force throughout the Term of this Agreement, insurance coverage that a reasonable and prudent Person operating a transmission business of a comparable size and scale of Hydro One Networks would carry as part of its business. Hydro One Networks shall add the B2M LP as an additional named insured under Hydro One Networks' insurance program and allocate to B2M LP, as Fees, a portion of the premium therefor and any incremental costs borne by Hydro One Networks in accommodating the unique circumstances of B2M LP (e.g. reducing deductibles to such reasonable levels requested by B2M LP).

#### ARTICLE III: FEES

- 3.1 B2M LP shall pay, without duplication, the Operations Fees and all applicable Taxes to Hydro One Networks for the performance of the Operations Services.
- 3.2 HOIP shall pay, without duplication, the Management Fees and all applicable Taxes to Hydro One Networks for the performance of the Management Services.
- 3.3 The Fees for Operations Services and Management Services shall be those costs reasonably incurred by Hydro One Networks in connection with the provision of Operations Services and Management Services in the manner and to the extent provided for hereunder and which are allocated to B2M LP and HOIP in a manner consistent with the ARC.

- 3.4 Fees will be set in line with fully-allocated costs. Fees may be set with reference to actual or estimated consumption and may be charged on a flat fee or per unit basis. Hydro One Networks, acting reasonably and in consultation with B2M LP or HOIP, as applicable, may elect the most convenient bases for setting Fees. Provided that the approach is acceptable to the OEB, Hydro One Networks may allocate a portion of its transmission business-related costs to B2M LP, including a portion of certain types of "direct costs" (as defined in the ARC). Hydro One Networks shall, from time to time as required to keep the information current, and in any event, no less frequently than annually, provide B2M LP with a breakdown of Hydro One Network's fully allocated costs of providing the Operations Services and Management Services.
- 3.4 HOIP shall use commercially reasonable efforts to recover the Fees payable hereunder by B2M LP and HOIP in the B2M LP transmission rate revenue requirement submissions to the OEB and representations to be made to the OEB in connection therewith.

## ARTICLE IV: INVOICING AND PAYMENT

4.1 All amounts payable by B2M LP and HOIP to Hydro One Networks under this Agreement shall be paid in accordance with the invoices rendered by Hydro One Networks to be issued on a periodic basis matching the time period for which B2M LP receives payments for the transmission of electricity. B2M LP and HOIP shall pay Hydro One Networks' invoices within 30 days of receipt thereof.

## ARTICLE V: BUDGETS, ACCOUNTS AND RIGHT TO AUDIT

- 5.1 Hydro One Networks shall, for each fiscal year of the Term hereof, provide HOIP with a proposed annual operating, maintenance and capital improvement budget for the subsequent fiscal year of B2M LP (the "Budget") at least sixty (60) days prior to the commencement of the next fiscal year. Such annual Budget shall be accompanied by an annual operating plan prepared by Hydro One Networks setting forth the underlying assumptions and plans in connection with the Budget, and setting forth a brief description of any major system repairs anticipated to be required in such fiscal year. HOIP shall notify Hydro One Networks as soon as reasonably practicable, but no later than thirty (30) days after receipt of the Budget, of any questions, comments, objections or suggested modifications which it may have with respect to such proposed Budget, and the parties shall cooperate with each other in developing a mutually acceptable Budget within thirty (30) days thereof. If HOIP fails to raise any questions, comments, objections or suggested modifications to the proposed Budget within thirty (30) days after receipt of the proposed Budget, the proposed Budget shall be deemed to have been approved.
- 5.2 Each Budget will represent Hydro One Networks' estimate of all fully allocated costs for providing the Operations Services under this Agreement during the period to which the Budget relates, and its estimate of all capital improvements required for providing the Operations Services, during the period to which the Budget relates.

- 5.3 The parties agree that the Budget may be amended from time to time by mutual agreement to reflect revisions necessitated by unanticipated circumstances including, but not limited to, changes in applicable law, additions or deletions to the scope of the Operations Services hereunder, emergencies and Force Majeure events, provided that Hydro One Networks shall not be required to amend the Budget more frequently than would be required under its normal business and operations practices.
- 5.4 The Budget shall reflect anticipated costs of Operations Services by Hydro One Networks on a monthly or quarterly basis and shall be organized by categories mutually agreed upon by the parties. If Hydro One Networks becomes aware that the costs of Operations Services for the current fiscal year may exceed the Budget by 5% or more of the total amount of the Budget, Hydro One Networks shall promptly notify HOIP of such anticipated budget overrun and provide HOIP a proposed amendment to the Budget. HOIP shall notify Hydro One Networks as soon as reasonably practicable, but no later than thirty (30) days after receipt of Hydro One Networks' proposed Budget amendment of any questions, comments, objections or suggested modifications thereto and the parties shall cooperate with each other in developing a mutually acceptable amendment to the Budget. If HOIP fails to raise any questions, comments, objections or suggested modifications to the proposed Budget amendment within the specified period, Hydro One Networks' proposed amendment shall be deemed to have been approved. Hydro One Networks shall not, without the written approval of HOIP amending the Budget or otherwise authorizing such expenditure, perform any further services or incur any further costs that would result in or increase such Budget overrun, except in the case of an emergency as provided in Section 5.7.
- 5.5 If by the start of any fiscal year the parties are unable to reach agreement concerning the Budget for such year, then, until such time as agreement is reached, the Budget for such year shall be based on the corresponding portions of the Budget for the preceding fiscal year, adjusted as follows: (i) with respect to items of expense that do not involve capital additions or improvements, to reflect the net change, if any, between the most recently published Ontario Consumer Price Index, published by Statistics Canada, not seasonally adjusted and the corresponding index in effect twelve months prior, and (ii) with respect to items of expense involving capital additions or improvements, to reflect the net change, if any, between the most recently published Producer Price Index for Capital Equipment, not seasonally adjusted, and the corresponding index in effect twelve months prior.
- 5.6 In the event that Hydro One Networks determines that a capital improvement, addition, alteration, repair or replacement not included in the Budget that has an impact of more than 5% of the total amount of the Budget should be made to the BXM Line in order to operate the BXM Line safely or comply with any laws, regulations or orders of any governmental authority, including laws, regulations or orders relating to environmental compliance or employee safety, Hydro One Networks shall provide HOIP with a written notice describing the nature of and reason for the improvement, addition, alteration, repair or replacement. Hydro One Networks shall not make any such improvement, addition, alteration, repair or replacement without HOIP's prior consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld or delayed. In the event that HOIP refuses to approve of any such Hydro One Networks recommended improvement, addition, alteration, repair or replacement, Hydro One Networks shall have the option to terminate this Agreement in accordance with Section 9.3.
- 5.7 In the event of an accident or emergency relating to the BXM Line, Hydro One Networks may, without obtaining any approvals of HOIP which might otherwise be required hereunder, take

any action, including, but not limited to, committing or expending funds, deemed by Hydro One Networks to be reasonably necessary under the circumstances. As promptly as reasonably practicable after Hydro One Networks establishes control over such accident or emergency, Hydro One Networks shall furnish to HOIP a reasonably detailed written description of the accident or emergency and the manner in which such accident or emergency was handled by Hydro One Networks. Hydro One Networks shall be entitled to compensation for costs incurred pursuant to this Section 5.7 in addition to all other compensation provided for under this Agreement.

- 5.8 Except as provided by Section 5.7 in the case of an emergency, Hydro One Networks shall perform all services hereunder in accordance with the annual operating plan accompanying the Budget.
- 5.9 The parties hereby agree to keep all necessary and proper accounts and records relating to the subject matter hereof. Such accounts and records, including invoices, receipts, time cards and vouchers shall at all reasonable times be open to audit, inspection and copying by each party to this Agreement. Accounts and records shall be preserved and kept available for audit for a period of six years.

## ARTICLE VI: LIMITATION OF LIABILITY AND FORCE MAJEURE EVENTS

- 6.1 Other than for sums payable under this Agreement, Hydro One Networks shall only be liable to B2M LP and HOIP and B2M LP and HOIP shall only be liable to Hydro One Networks for any damages that arise directly out of its gross negligence or willful misconduct in meeting its respective obligations under this Agreement. Notwithstanding the generality of the foregoing, neither party shall be liable to the other party under any circumstances whatsoever for any loss of profits or revenues, business interruption losses, loss of contract or loss of goodwill, or for any indirect, consequential or incidental damages, including but not limited to punitive or exemplary damages, whether any of the said liability, loss or damages arise in statute, contract, tort or otherwise.
- 6.2 In any event, except with respect to gross negligence or willful misconduct, the total liability of Hydro One Networks to B2M LP and HOIP and the total liability of B2M LP and HOIP to Hydro One Networks in connection with this Agreement whether it arises by statute, contract, tort or otherwise, will not exceed the value of the total amounts payable by B2M LP and HOIP to Hydro One Networks for the Operations Services and Management Services in the year that such liability is incurred.
- 6.3 No party shall be liable to the other for any loss, damage or delay, or inability to perform any obligation under this Agreement in whole or in part due to a Force Majeure Event.
- 6.4 B2M LP will indemnify and save harmless Hydro One Networks providing Operations Services from and against any and all Claims that Hydro One Networks may suffer, sustain or incur in connection with the provision of the Operations Services except to the extent caused or arising from the gross negligence or wilful misconduct of Hydro One Networks.
- 6.5 If a Force Majeure Event prevents a party from performing any of its obligations under this Agreement, such party shall (1) expeditiously, and without delay, notify the other party of the

Force Majeure Event and its good faith assessment of the effect that the Force Majeure Event will. have on its ability to perform any of its obligations, which notice shall be confirmed in writing as soon as reasonably practicable if such immediate notice is not in writing; (2) not be entitled to suspend performance of any of its obligations under the Agreement to any greater extent or for any longer duration than is caused by the Force Majeure Event; (3) use commercially reasonable efforts to mitigate the effects of such Force Majeure Event and to resume full performance of its obligations hereunder; (4) keep the other party informed of such efforts on a continuing basis; and (5) provide written notice to the other party of the resumption of the performance of any obligations affected by the Force Majeure Event.

- 6.6 Notwithstanding any of the foregoing, settlement of any strike, lockout, or labour dispute constituting a Force Majeure Event shall be within the sole discretion of the party to the Agreement involved in such strike, lockout, or labour dispute and the requirement that a party must use commercially reasonable efforts to mitigate the effects of a Force Majeure Event and resume full performance hereunder shall not apply to strikes, lockouts, or labour disputes.
- 6.7 The provisions of this Article VI shall forever survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

### ARTICLE VII: DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROCEDURES

7.1 Any controversy, dispute, difference, question or claim (collectively "Dispute"), arising between the parties in connection with the interpretation, performance, construction or implementation of this Agreement that cannot be resolved by a conference of senior officers of Hydro One Networks and HOIP shall be settled in accordance with this section. The aggrieved party shall send the other party written notice identifying the Dispute, the amount involved, if any, and the remedy sought. The Presidents from each party shall confer in an effort to resolve the Dispute. If the Presidents are unable to resolve the Dispute within 5 business days after receipt of the written notice of the Dispute, then a party may refer the Dispute to adjudication in court or, if all parties agree, to arbitration before a single arbitrator. Insofar as they do not conflict with this Section 7.1, the Rules for Procedure for Commercial Arbitration of the Arbitration and Mediation Institute of Canada Inc./International Chamber of Commerce Rules of Arbitration in effect at the date of commencement of any arbitration held under this Agreement will apply to the arbitration. A party hereto may enter any judgment upon any award rendered by the arbitrator in any court having jurisdiction. The arbitration will be conducted in English under the Arbitration Act, 1991 (Ontario) and will take place at such time and place as the arbitrator may fix. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the subject matter of any Dispute is also the subject matter of a Dispute under Section 13 of the Limited Partnership Agreement governing the B2M LP, the resolution of the Dispute under the Section 13 of the Limited Partnership Agreement governing B2M LP shall govern and be applicable to the resolution of the Dispute under this Agreement and such matter shall not be subject to further arbitration or adjudication under this Agreement.

## ARTICLE VIII: CONFIDENTIALITY AND INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

8.1 • Each party (the "Receiving Party") shall maintain in strict confidence this Agreement and the existence and contents thereof and all confidential or proprietary information of the other party, (the "Disclosing Party") or any of the Disclosing Party's directors, officers, employees, consultants,

agents or legal, financial or professional advisors (the "Disclosing Party Representatives") (collectively the "Confidential Information"). Except as permitted herein, the Receiving Party shall not publish, reproduce, or disclose, either directly or indirectly, the said Confidential Information to any third party and shall not use the said Confidential Information for any purpose other than for purposes of this Agreement without the prior written consent of the Disclosing Party. The Receiving Party may disclose the Confidential Information only to its partners, shareholder, directors, officers, employees, consultants, agents, professional advisors or lenders (the "Receiving Party Representatives") having a need to know same and who have undertaken a like obligation to maintain its confidentiality. For greater certainty, Confidential Information includes any and all personal information (as that term is defined in the *Personal Information Protection and Electronic Documents Act* (Canada), as they may be amended) and any and all information regarding a consumer, retailer, wholesale buyer, wholesale supplier, or a generator, provided by the Disclosing Party to the Receiving Party for purposes of this Agreement.

- 8.2 The Receiving Party undertakes to protect and safeguard all Confidential Information in its possession or under its control and received by the Disclosing Party, in the manner described in Schedule "A" attached hereto. The Disclosing Party may, on reasonable notice, and during regular business hours, audit the information management practices of the Receiving Party to confirm compliance with the terms and conditions of this Article VIII and all applicable statutes, regulations, by-laws, standards and codes, as amended.
- 8.3 The Receiving Party undertakes to notify the Disclosing Party immediately upon discovery of any unauthorized use and/or disclosure of any of the Disclosing Party's Confidential Information, to co-operate with the Disclosing Party to help regain possession of such Confidential Information, and to prevent its further unauthorized use and/or disclosure.
- 8.4 The forgoing obligations with respect to confidentiality, use, reproduction, dissemination, publication and non-disclosure herein shall not apply to any information that:
- (i) is previously known to or lawfully in the possession of the Receiving Party;
- (ii) is independently known to or discovered by the Receiving Party, without any reference to the information or material;
- (iii) is obtained by the Receiving Party from an arm's length third party having a bona fide right to disclose same and who was not otherwise under an obligation of confidence or fiduciary duty to the Disclosing Party or the Disclosing Party Representatives;
- (iv) is or becomes public knowledge through no fault or omission of, or breach of this Agreement by, the Receiving Party or the Receiving Party Representatives; or
- (v) is required to be disclosed pursuant to a final judicial or governmental order or other legal process, including, without limitation, an order of or legal process involving a regulatory authority such as the Ontario Energy Board.
- 8.5 The parties acknowledge and agree that the Confidential Information (other than Confidential Information contained in this Agreement which shall be jointly owned by the parties) shall remain the sole and exclusive property of the Disclosing Party that has disclosed the Confidential Information, and the Disclosing Party shall retain all right, title and interest in and to the Confidential Information it has disclosed to the Receiving Party.
- 8.6 The Receiving Party agrees that it shall keep a record of written Confidential Information furnished to it by the Disclosing Party in a location separate from those locations where the Receiving Party has stored information in respect of other third parties for which it performs work and it shall

advise the Disclosing Party of such location.

- 8.7 All Confidential Information furnished by the Disclosing Party (other than this Agreement), including that portion of the Confidential Information which is contained in analyses, compilations, studies or other documents prepared by the Receiving Party or by the Receiving Party Representatives, is the Disclosing Party's property and will be returned immediately to the Disclosing Party upon its request except that any information, plans, layouts, specifications, descriptions or other information necessary to the continued operation and maintenance of the BXM Line and its parts and components, or to the replacement of any such parts or components, need not be returned and may be used or applied in the continued operation and maintenance of the BXM Line.
- 8.8 The obligations in this Article VIII shall forever survive the termination or expiration of this Agreement.

#### ARTICLE IX: TERM AND TERMINATION

- 9.1 Except as otherwise specified herein and subject to early termination rights in Sections 5.6, and 9.3, this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect for a term of five years commencing on the Effective Date (the "**Term**").
- 9.2 Except for those provisions in the 2014 Services Agreement which survive termination thereof as specified therein, the 2014 Services Agreement is terminated as of the Effective Date.
- 9.3 Hydro One Networks may terminate this Agreement on 60 days' prior written notice in the event that B2M LP refuses to approve a capital improvement, addition, alteration, repair or replacement recommended by Hydro One Networks in accordance with Section 5.6.
- 9.4 In the event of termination or expiration of this Agreement: (i) Hydro One Networks shall deliver to HOIP all books, records and accounts which it has developed and maintained relating solely to the BXM Line or its operations or the business of B2M LP and return all property owned by B2M LP, and (ii) the parties shall take all steps as may be reasonably required to complete any final accounting between them or to provide for the completion of matters contemplated hereunder.

#### ARTICLE X: GENERAL

- 10.1 This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Province of Ontario and the federal laws of Canada applicable therein.
- 10.2 The rights and obligations of the parties under this Agreement shall at all times be subject to all applicable laws, regulations, orders and directives of any authority of competent jurisdiction, including the OEB, and shall be deemed to be amended to the extent required to comply with same.
- 10.3 This Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties with respect to the Operations Services and Management Services and supersedes all prior oral or written representations and Agreements concerning the subject matter of this Agreement.

- 10.4 This Agreement shall extend to, be binding upon and enure to the benefit of the permitted assigns and the respective successors of B2M LP, HOIP and Hydro One Networks.
- 10.5 Neither this Agreement nor any provision hereof is intended to confer upon any Person other than the parties hereto any rights or remedies hereunder.
- 10.6 If any party determines that in its reasonable discretion that any further instruments or other actions seem necessary or desirable to carry out the terms of this Agreement, the other parties shall execute and deliver all such instruments and do all such actions as such parties agree in their reasonable discretion as necessary or desirable to carry out the terms of this Agreement.
- 10.7 No delay or failure in exercising any right under this Agreement or any partial or single exercise of any right, will constitute a waiver of that right or any other rights under this Agreement. No consent to a breach of any express or implied term set out in this Agreement constitutes consent to any subsequent breach.
- 10.8 If any term, covenant or condition of this Agreement or the application or effect of any such term, covenant or condition is held to be invalid as to any Person, entity or circumstance or is determined to be not in the public interest by any court or government agency of competent jurisdiction, then such term, covenant or condition shall remain in effect to the maximum extent permitted by law and, all other terms, covenants and conditions of this Agreement and their application shall not be affected, but shall remain in full force and effect and the parties shall be relieved of their respective obligations under this Agreement only to the extent necessary to comply with the court or government agency holding.
- 10.9 This Agreement does not and shall not be construed to create or establish a partnership, agency, joint venture, lease, licence or any other relationship between the parties hereto, nor constitute either party as an agent of the other. Neither party hereto shall hold itself out to others by act or omission, contrary to the terms of this Agreement.
- 10.10 This Agreement and the rights and obligations hereunder may not be assigned in whole or in part by Hydro One Networks except with the prior written consent of BMLP, in its sole discretion. This Agreement and the rights and obligations hereunder may not be assigned in whole or in part by B2M LP other than (i) to the transferee of the BXM Line approved by the OEB, or (ii) with the prior written consent of Hydro One Networks, in its sole discretion.
- 10.11 This Agreement and any amendment, supplement, restatement or termination of this Agreement in whole or in part may be signed using written or electronic signatures and may be delivered in any number of counterparts, each of which when signed and delivered is an original, but all of which taken together constitute one and the same instrument. This Agreement and any amendment, supplement, restatement or termination of this Agreement in whole or in part may be delivered by means of facsimile or via e-mail in portable document format (PDF).

[signature page follows]

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed by the signatures of their representatives duly authorized in that behalf.

## HYDRO ONE NETWORKS INC.

Name: Chris Lopez

Title: Chief Financial Officer I have the authority to bind the

corporation.

B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP, by its general partner, HYDRO ONE INDIGENOUS PARTNERSHIPS INC.

Name: Jeffrey Smith
Title: Managing Director
I have the authority to bind the

corporation.

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## Schedule "A"

Receiving Party Security Safeguards Regarding Confidential Information Received from the Disclosing Party

The Receiving Party shall protect the Confidential Information by security safeguards appropriate to the sensitivity of the information.

- 1) The Receiving Party shall protect the Confidential Information against such risks as loss or theft, unauthorized access, disclosure, copying, use, modification or destruction, through appropriate security measures, regardless of the format in which it is held.
- 2) All of the Receiving Party's Representatives with access to the Confidential Information shall be contractually required to respect the confidentiality of that information.
- 3) The Receiving Party acknowledges and agrees that the nature of the safeguards will vary depending on the sensitivity, amount, distribution and format of the information, and the method of storage. The Receiving Party shall ensure that more sensitive information will be safeguarded by a higher level of protection.
- 4) The Receiving Party shall ensure that methods of protection will include:
  - (a) physical measures, for example, locked filing cabinets and restricted access to. offices;
  - (b) organizational measures, for example, controlling entry to data centers and limiting access to information on a "need-to-know" basis:
  - (c) technological measures, for example, the use of passwords and encryption; and
  - (d) investigative measures, in cases where the Receiving Party has reasonable grounds to believe that the Confidential Information is being inappropriately collected, used or disclosed by anyone whom in law the Receiving Party is responsible.

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# COMMON CORPORATE COSTS, COST ALLOCATION METHODOLOGY

Common Corporate Costs are costs incurred to provide service on a shared basis among HONI and its affiliates, including B2M LP. The provision of these services is centralized to enable them to be delivered efficiently. Common Corporate Costs are allocated among HONI and its affiliates, including B2M LP, using an established methodology that is based on cost causality principles.

Common Corporate Costs include Corporate Common Functions and Services (CCF&S), Asset Management, Information Technology, and Operating Programs. As it relates to B2M LP, the allocated CCF&S costs are for services provided by Finance, Taxation, Planning, Security Operations, Real Estate Services, Indigenous Relations, Regulatory Affairs and General Counsel.

Since 2004, in connection with each of its major cost of service applications, HONI has commissioned an expert study to recommend a best practice methodology to allocate common corporate costs among the business entities using the common services. The adopted methodology represents the industry's best practices, identifying appropriate cost drivers to reflect cost causality and benefits received. In this Application, B2M LP has included the same corporate cost allocation highlighted by independent expert Black & Veatch in Hydro One's 2023 to 2027 Custom IR application (EB-2021-0110).

The forecast allocation of Common Corporate Costs to B2M LP for the test years (2025 to 2029) ranges from \$0.53M to \$0.58M annually. This is materially consistent when considering grid operation costs that are now included in common corporate costs. The actual allocated Common Corporate Costs for B2M LP for the period 2020 to 2024 averaged \$0.44M annually. The historical actual allocated Common Corporate Costs were higher than the OEB approved levels (\$0.2M) for that period due to the inclusion of

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> See Exhibit E-04-08, Attachment 1 from EB-2021-0110.

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- grid operating service costs into corporate costs as well as from higher cost pressures
- on support activities during the rate period as described in Exhibit F-02-01.

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## **DEPRECIATION EXPENSES**

#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this exhibit is to summarize the method and amount of B2M LP's depreciation and amortization expense for the 2025 to 2029 test years.

#### 2.0 DEPRECIATION METHODOLOGY

The depreciation and amortization expense included in B2M LP's application transmission revenue requirement for the historical 2020 to 2024 period (EB-2019-0178) was supported by an independent depreciation study conducted by Foster Associates Inc. (Foster) for HONI's 2020-2022 Transmission Revenue Requirement application (EB-2019-0082). The OEB accepted the Foster depreciation study for the purposes of determining B2M LP's depreciation rates and depreciation expense for the 2020 to 2024 rate period.

For its 2023 to 2027 Custom IR application (EB-2021-0110), HONI engaged Alliance Consultant Group (Alliance) to perform a new depreciation study covering HONI's transmission, distribution and common assets as the basis for HONI's Transmission and Distribution depreciation and amortization expenses from 2023 to 2027. The OEB approved those expenses and the basis for their calculation. In this Application, the Alliance depreciation study forms the basis for B2M LP's depreciation rates and depreciation expense for the 2025 to 2029 period. As a single asset transmission utility, B2M LP's assets are similar in nature to certain of HONI's transmission assets and those assets are expected to perform in the same manner as the assets on which HONI's depreciation study was based.

Consistent with the approach taken in its 2020-2024 revenue requirement application in EB-2019-0178, B2M LP adopted HONI's transmission depreciation rates in deriving its own depreciation expense. There continues to be no additional value or need to incur the significant additional expense to maintain unique depreciation rates for B2M LP.

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- For a summary of the changes in the depreciation methodology between the Foster
- depreciation study and the Alliance depreciation study approved in HONI's 2023 to 2027
- 3 Custom IR rebasing application, please refer to Exhibit E-08-01 of EB-2021-0110.1

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#### 3.0 DEPRECIATION EXPENSE

As discussed above, B2M LP relied on HONI's updated depreciation study for transmission assets approved in HONI's 2023 to 2027 Custom IR Application (EB-2021-0110, Exhibit E-08-01, Attachment 1), which adopted the Alliance methodology to determine the depreciation expense for the test years Historical and forecast depreciation expense from 2020 to 2029 are summarized in Table 1. There are no forecasted asset removal costs from 2024 to 2029 as no replacement projects or asset retirements have been projected during this period.

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Table 1 - B2M LP Depreciation Expense (\$M)

Description	Historical				Bridge	Test				
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Depreciation On Fixed Assets	7.2	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5
Less Capitalized Depreciation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Asset Removal Costs	0.2	0.02	0.03	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Losses/(Gains) On Asset Disposition	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	7.4	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.9	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5	6.5

Detailed depreciation schedules are filed at Exhibit F-05-01, Attachments 1 and 2.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> EB-2021-0110, Exhibit E-08-01, section 1.3; and Exhibit E-08-01, Attachment 1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Actual asset removal cost incurred in 2021 was \$42,097.14.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Actual asset removal cost incurred in 2022 was \$14,192.15.

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## DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION EXPENSES (2020 – 2025)

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## DEPRECIATION AND AMORTIZATION EXPENSES (2025 – 2029)

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## **CORPORATE INCOME TAXES**

#### 1.0 OVERVIEW

This exhibit explains how B2M LP calculates its income tax expenses for the purposes of rate recovery. Exhibit F-06-01, Attachments 1 to 2 contain detailed calculations of income tax for the historical, bridge and test years, including supporting schedules and reconciliations, as needed. Exhibit F-07-01, Attachment 1 includes a copy of the most recent tax return. The information provided in this Application is consistent with section 2.8.11 of the Filing Requirements.

In the historical period, there were sufficient CCA and loss carryforwards to reduce income tax expense to nil. As the loss carryforward have been utilized and the annual capital cost allowance (CCA) deduction declines<sup>1</sup>, B2M LP is expected to have taxes payable over the test period.

#### 2.0 OVERVIEW OF INCOME TAXES

### 2.1 INTRODUCTION

B2M LP is a limited partnership pursuant to the *Limited Partnerships Act* (Ontario). A partnership is generally not taxable under the *Income Tax Act*. A partnership is required to compute its taxable income, which is then allocated and taxed at the hands of its partners.

Prior to 2020, Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships GP Inc. (HOIP GP) was the general partner and held the 65.7% of the B2M LP partnership units. To simplify Hydro One Inc.'s ownership structure and to create a common general partner for both B2M LP and Niagara Reinforcement LP, HOIP GP transferred its limited partnership interests to Hydro One

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The decline in annual CCA is due to the legislated requirement to calculate CCA on a declining balance basis with higher CCA available in the earlier years of the transmission assets' life. The ratepayers have benefited from this higher CCA deduction by having lower revenue requirements relating to regulatory taxes during this period.

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- Networks Inc. (HONI) and concurrently, Hydro One B2M LP Inc. changed its name to
- 2 Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships Inc. (HOIP) and became the general partner of B2M
- 3 LP effective January 1, 2020.

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5 The partners of B2M LP as of December 31, 2023 are as follows:

Partner	Interests	Description
Hydro One Networks Inc. (HONI)	LP	A corporation owned directly by Hydro One Inc.
Saugeen Ojibway Nation Finance Corporation (SON FC) - Nominee for SON <sup>2</sup>	LP	A nominee corporation owned directly by the Chippewas of Saugeen and Chippewas of Nawash First Nations
Hydro One Indigenous Partnerships Inc. (HOIP)	GP	A corporation owned directly by Hydro One Inc.

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SON FC and its shareholders are not subject to corporate income tax. Therefore, the taxable income in B2M LP allocated to SON FC will not be subject to income tax. This ultimately leads to less total income tax paid, which is a savings to ratepayers.

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#### 2.2 REGULATORY INCOME TAX EXPENSE

Regulatory income taxes for B2M LP are determined by applying the statutory tax rate to the regulatory taxable income allocated to HONI and HOIP, the taxable corporate partners of B2M LP.

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## 2.3 ONTARIO CORPORATE MINIMUM TAX (OCMT)

OCMT is designed to impose a minimum tax based on financial statement income calculated without most tax adjustments. The OCMT paid in the year can be applied to reduce taxes payable in future year. B2M LP recovered the OCMT expense from customers in the historical years and have utilized the maximum allowable OCMT credits to reduce regulatory income tax expenses and taxes payable in the test years. These credits are expected to be fully utilized prior to the start of the test period, resulting in an

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See Exhibit A-05-01 for further details.

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increase to the overall regulatory income tax expense during the test period. The OCMT credits available to be carried forward are computed based on the activities of B2M LP without any regard to the other activities at the partner level.

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## 2.4 INCOME TAX RATE (FEDERAL AND ONTARIO)

A combined income tax rate of 26.5% has been used for the forecast years, as set out in
Table 1 below, comprising a federal rate of 15% and a provincial rate of 11.5%. Any
variance between actual taxes payable and forecast taxes, because of tax policy and
legislation changes, will be captured in a variance account for tax rate changes as per
Section 7.1 of the 2006 Electricity Distribution Rate (EDR) Handbook, as described further
in Exhibit H-01-01.

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**Table 1 - Combined Income Tax Rates** 

		Histo	Bridge	Test		
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025 to 2029
Federal Tax Rate (%)	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
Provincial Rate (%)	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50	11.50
Total Statutory Tax Rate (%)	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50	26.50

# 3.0 RECONCILIATION BETWEEN REGULATORY NET INCOME BEFORE TAX AND TAXABLE INCOME

Reconciliation between the regulatory net income before tax (NIBT) and taxable income for the historical years is provided in Exhibit F-06-01, Attachment 1. This schedule contains the income tax computation and also shows how the taxable income is computed by making adjustments to the regulatory NIBT for items such as depreciation and CCA. The calculation of test year CCA is provided in Exhibit F-06-01, Attachment 2.

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- Reconciliation between the accounting NIBT and taxable income for the historical years
- 2 2020-2023 is provided in Exhibit F-06-01, Attachment 1. The calculation of CCA for the
- historical years is provided in Exhibit F-06-01, Attachment 1.

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- To make it easier to follow these reconciliations, B2M LP has separated the tax adjustments into the following categories:
  - Recurring items that must be added (deducted) because they have been included in the OM&A expenses in arriving at the revenue requirement, or for which appropriate tax adjustments are made (for example, depreciation versus CCA); and
  - 2. Recurring items not in the revenue requirement.

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#### 4.0 OVERVIEW OF PROCESS TO ARRIVE AT TAXABLE INCOME

The starting point for the computation of B2M LP taxable income is the NIBT as shown on the utility's income statement for the year. The NIBT is prepared by using U.S. Generally Accepted Accounting Principles, but taxable income is computed using the relevant tax legislation, interpretations and assessing practices. Therefore, there are a number of adjustments that are typically made, where applicable, to the NIBT to arrive at taxable income and most of these adjustments are made to account for timing differences. Adjustment for timing differences can arise when: (1) expenditures are both capitalized and depreciated over time for both financial accounting and tax requirements, but the depreciation rates and depreciation methodology are different; or (2) costs that are expensed for financial accounting purposes but not for tax purposes or vice versa. A common item that increases NIBT (i.e., it is added back to NIBT for tax purposes) is financial accounting depreciation and amortization with CCA being the common item that reduces NIBT (i.e., it is deducted from NIBT for tax purposes). Consequently, it is imperative that the NIBT be adjusted for amounts that have been included (or deducted) for accounting purposes that are not income (or deductible) for tax return purposes.

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## 5.0 TAXABLE TREATMENT OF REGULATORY ASSETS AND REGULATORY LIABILITIES

Regulatory assets and regulatory liabilities are typically recognized by the utility's balance sheets for forgone revenue or for expenses that have been incurred, for which recovery will be sought from ratepayers through future rates. Disposition of the deferral accounts is determined by the OEB.

For example, in the illustrative example shown in Table 2, assuming that a 26.5% tax rate applies and a \$100 expense is incurred, the utility will record a regulatory asset for the expense to be recovered in the future while tax will be allowed a deduction of the \$100 for the year in which the expense is incurred in computing taxable income. If the OEB subsequently approves recovery of this expense over a two-year period through a rate rider, the utility will include the approved recovery amounts in computing taxable income for the year in which it is billed to ratepayers. The net result is that the utility has recovered the \$100 cost although the income or expense has been taxed or deducted in different years.

Table 2 - Example of the Income Tax Treatment of Regulatory Assets and Regulatory Liabilities Disposition

	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	CUMULATIVE
Income (deduction)	(100)	50	50	Nil
Tax Refund (payable)	26.5	(13.25)	(13.25)	Nil
Cash Inflow (outflow)	(73.5)	36.75	36.75	Nil

Therefore, regulatory assets and regulatory liabilities have not been included in computing tax payable for purposes of the revenue requirement since the associated tax benefit has or will be obtained through the tax system, generally within a reasonable time horizon (i.e., the application period).

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### **6.0 INTEGRITY CHECKS**

- B2M LP has performed the integrity checks as described in Section 2.8.11.2 of the Filing
- 3 Requirements.

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### **5 7.0 SUPPORTING ATTACHMENTS**

- 6 The attachments supporting the determination of the income tax expense are provided in
- 7 the following attachments:

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- 9 Attachment 1: Calculation of Historical Utility Income Taxes and Capital Cost
- 10 Allowance
- 11 Attachment 2: Calculation of Test Year Utility Income Taxes and Capital Cost
- 12 Allowance

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### 1 CALCULATION OF UTILITY INCOME TAXES AND CAPITAL COST 2 ALLOWANCE (2020-2023)

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### 1 CALCULATION OF UTILITY INCOME TAXES AND CAPITAL COST 2 ALLOWANCE (2024-2029)

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### **INCOME TAX RETURN**

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3 Attachment 1: T5013 – Partnership Financial Return

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### **Partnership Financial Return**

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Complete this financial return using the instructions in the T4068, Guide for the Partnership Information Return (T5013 Forms). You can file this return electronically without a web access code using the "File a return" service in My Business Account at <a href="mailto:canada.ca/my-cra-business-account">canada.ca/my-cra-business-account</a> or, for authorized representatives, in Represent a Client at <a href="mailto:canada.ca/taxes-representatives">canada.ca/taxes-representatives</a>.

Unless otherwise stated, all legislative references are to the Income Tax Act or, where appropriate, the Income Tax Regulations.

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Identification			
		Is this an amended return?	040 Yes X No
Partnership account number  001   80820 9530 RZ0001		Is this an amended return?	040 Yes X No
Partnership name		Fiscal period to which this information	n return applies
006 B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP		060 Fiscal period start	061 Fiscal period-end*
007		Year Month Day	Year Month Day
Partnership operating or trading name		From 2023-01-01	To 2023-12-31
008 B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP		*If you answered <b>Yes</b> to question 078 be	elow, enter the date when the
009		partnership ceased to exist.	
Location of the partnership head office Has this location changed since the last time you filed a partnership information return?  If you answered Yes to line 010, enter the addres 011 to 018.	010 Yes X No	The end members of this partnership (tick the applicable boxes)  062 01 X Individuals (including to 02 X Corporations  Is this the first year of filing?	rusts) . 070 Yes X No
012		enter the date the partnership	Year Month Day
City	Province, <u>territo</u> ry or state	was created	071
015	016	Number of T5013 slips	. <b>073</b> 3
Country	Postal or zip code	Is this the partnership's	
017	018	final information return up to dissolution?	. 078 Yes X No
Mailing address of the partnership		to dissolution:	
(if different from the head office address) Has this address changed since the last time you filed a partnership information return?  If you answered <b>Yes</b> to line 020, enter the new m	020 Yes X No nailing address on lines 021	If an election was made under section 261 by one or more partners, enter the functional currency code used for this return	. 079
to 028.		Was the partnership a Canadian	
021 <sub>c/o</sub> 023		partnership throughout the	000 💟
024		fiscal period?	. 082 X Yes No
City	Province, territory or state	Type of partnership at the end of the f	iscal period
025	026	086 Non tax shelter	Tax shelter
Country  027	Postal or zip code  028	01 General partnership	11 General partnership
Location of the partnership's books and reco (if different from the head office address)	rds	X 02 Limited partnership	12 Limited partnership
Has this location changed since the last time you filed a partnership		03 Limited liability	13 Co-ownership
information return?	Yes X No	partnership	
If you answered <b>Yes</b> to line 030, enter the address lines 031 to 038.	ss of the new location on	08 Investment club	19 Other (specify below)
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City	Province, territory or state		
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Country	Postal or zip code	shelter (TS), enter the TS identification number	087
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		Industry code (NAICS):	221121

Approval code: RC-23-P010



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### - Required documents to attach to this T5013 FIN, Partnership Financial Return -

- Form T5013 SUM, Summary of Partnership Income
- a copy of each T5013, Statement of Partnership Income, slip issued to partners and nominees or agents
- T5013 SCH 1, Net Income (Loss) for Income Tax Purposes \*\*
  - \*\* If you are an inactive partnership, see line 280 in Guide T4068 for more information.
- T5013 SCH 50, Partner's Ownership and Account Activity

### The General Index of Financial Information (GIFI) schedules

- T5013 SCH 100. Balance Sheet Information
- T5013 SCH 125, Income Statement Information
- T5013 SCH 140, Summary Statement (when more than one schedule 125 is filed)
- T5013 SCH 141, General Index of Financial Information (GIFI) Additional Information (not required for investment clubs)

Answer the following questions. For each affirmative answer, attach the related schedule or form to the partnership return, unless otherwise instructed.

At any time during the fiscal period, was the partnership a member of another partnership (directly or indirectly through one or more partnerships)?	<b>150</b> Yes	X No	T5013 SCH 9
Has the partnership had any transactions, including sections 97 and 98 transactions or subsection 85(2) transfers with its members or employees, other than transactions in the ordinary course of business? (Do not include non-arm's length transactions with non-residents.)	<b>162</b> Yes	X No	T2058, T2059 or T2060
Did the partnership have a total amount over \$1 million of reportable transactions with non-arm's length non-residents?	<b>171</b> Yes	X No	T106
Does the partnership have to file Form T1134 in respect of any foreign affiliates in the fiscal period?	<b>172</b> Yes	X No	T1134
Has the partnership made any charitable donations, gifts of cultural or ecological property or federal, provincial, territorial or municipal political contributions?	<b>202</b> Yes	X No	T5013 SCH 2
Does the partnership have a permanent establishment in more than one jurisdiction?	<b>205</b> Yes	X No	T5013 SCH 5
Has the partnership realized any capital gains or incurred any capital losses during the fiscal period?	<b>206</b> Yes	X No	T5013 SCH 6
Does the partnership have any property that is eligible for capital cost allowance?	<b>208</b> X Yes	No	T5013 SCH 8
Does the partnership have any resource-related deductions (not including renounced expenditures)?	<b>212</b> Yes	X No	T5013 SCH 12
Is the partnership allocating any investment tax credits (ITCs)? If <b>Yes</b> , attach a document to this return providing a detailed calculation of the partnership's ITCs and their allocation to one or more partners	<b>231</b> Yes	X No	Calculation and allocation
Did the partnership incur any scientific research and experimental development (SR&ED) expenditures?	<b>232</b> Yes	X No	T661
Did the partnership allocate renounced resource expenses to its members?	<b>252</b> Yes	X No	T5013 SCH 52
Did the partnership own or hold specified foreign property for which the total cost amount, at any time in the fiscal period, was more than CAN \$100,000?	<b>259</b> Yes	X No	T1135
Is the partnership allocating any Canadian journalism labour tax credits?	<b>260</b> Yes	X No	T5013 SCH 58
Is the partnership allocating any return of fuel charge proceeds to farmers tax credits?	<b>261</b> Yes	X No	T5013 SCH 63
Is the partnership allocating any air quality improvement tax credits?	<b>262</b> Yes	X No	T5013 SCH 65

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— Additional information ————————————————————————————————————		
Did the partnership use the International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) when it prepared its financial statements?	Yes	X No
Was a slip issued to one or more nominees or agents?	1 X Yes	No
Does the partnership agreement require that the nominee(s) or agent(s) complete and file any of the documents identified on page 2?	2 Yes	X No
Does the partnership have one or more new nominees or agents?	Yes	X No
Did the partnership allocate any amount of income tax deducted at source?	Yes	X No
Did the partnership make any other election(s) under the Act during the fiscal period?	Yes	X No
If <b>Yes</b> , attach a copy of each election form to this return.  Is this partnership the continuation of one or more predecessor partnerships since its last partnership information return was filed?  277	7 Yes	X No
If you answered <b>Yes</b> to line 277, provide the business number(s) of the predecessor partnership(s)	B	
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Was the partnership inactive throughout the fiscal period this information return applies to?	Yes	X No
If <b>Yes</b> , see Guide T4068 to verify your filing requirements.		
Did members of the partnership immigrate to Canada during the fiscal period?	1 Yes	X No
Did members of the partnership emigrate from Canada during the fiscal period?	Yes	X No
If the major business activity is construction, did you have any subcontractors during the fiscal period? 295	Yes	X No
Did the partnership report its farming or fishing income using the cash method?	Yes	X No
Is this a publicly traded partnership?	Yes	X No
If you answered <b>Yes</b> to line 297, did the partnership issue T5008 information slips to report transactions of interests in the partnership?	Yes	No
Miscellaneous information —		
For tax deductions withheld at the source, was an NR4 information return filed for the fiscal period?	1 Yes	X No
If you answered <b>Yes</b> to line 301, enter the non-resident account number	2	
If you answered <b>Yes</b> to line 301, were NR4 slips issued?	3 Yes	No
Is this partnership a specified investment flow-through (SIFT) partnership?	Yes	X No
If you answered <b>Yes</b> to line 304, enter the taxable non-portfolio earnings for the fiscal period	5	
If you answered <b>Yes</b> to line 304, enter the tax payable under Part IX.1 for the fiscal period	6	
Enter the amount of the late-filing penalty from line 307 of Schedule 52	7	
Amount of payment enclosed with this return	3	

Name and identification number of the partr	er designated under sul	bsection 165(1.15) of the Act	
400 HYDRO ONE INDIGENOUS PARTNE	RSHIPS INC.		402 818382046RC0001
	Name of designated	partner	Identification number
— Additional information for tax	shelters only —		
Principal promoter			
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Last name (print)		First name (print)	Identification number
— Certification —			
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Last name (print)		First name (print)	Position or title
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Year Month Day	Signati	ure of the authorized partner	Telephone number
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— Privacy notice ———			
Personal information (including the SIN) is collected compliance, and collection. The information collect it may also be disclosed to other federal, provincial paying interest or penalties, or in other actions. Ut	ted may be used or disclose I, territorial, or foreign gove der the Privacy Act, individ da regarding the handling o	the Income Tax Act and related programs and activitied for the purposes of other federal acts that providing rument institutions to the extent authorized by law. Usuals have a right of protection, access to and correst freir personal information. Refer to Personal Information.	e for the imposition and collection of a tax or duty.  Failure to provide this information may result in ction of their personal information, or to file a



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Total liabilities and partners' capital

### PARTNERSHIP'S BALANCE SHEET INFORMATION

### T5013 **SCHEDULE 100**

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Partnership na	ame		ership Number	Fiscal period e Year Month Da	ay Original X
B2M LIMITE	ED PARTNERSHIP	80820 953	0 RZ0001	2023-12-31	Amended
Is this a NIL s	chedule?		999 Y	'es No X	
Balance sl	heet information				
Account	Description		GIFI	Current year	Prior year
Assets —					
	Total current assets		1599 +	19,181,000.00	18,438,000.00
	Total tangible capital assets	2	2008 +	529,114,000.00	529,114,000.00
	Total accumulated amortization of tangible capital assets	2	2009 –	63,924,000.00	57,058,000.00
	Total intangible capital assets	2	2178 +		
	Total accumulated amortization of intangible capital assets	2	2179 –		
	Total long-term assets	2	2589 +		
	_* Assets held in trust	2	2590 +		
	Total assets (mandatory field)		2599 =	484,371,000.00	490,494,000.00
Liabilities	3				
	Total current liabilities		3139 +	8,481,983.00	8,579,000.00
	Total long-term liabilities	3	8450 +	286,155,000.00	289,612,000.00
	_* Subordinated debt		3460 +		
	_* Amounts held in trust		8470 +		
	Total liabilities (mandatory field)		3499 =	294,636,983.00	298,191,000.00
- Partner's	capital				
	Total partners' capital (mandatory field)		8575 +	189,734,017.00	192,303,000.00

3585 =

484,371,000.00

<sup>\*</sup> Generic item



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### **GENERAL INDEX OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION – GIFI**

T5013 **SCHEDULE 125** 

Form identifier	r 125 GENERAL INDEX OF	F FINANCIAL INFORMATION – G	IFI	CONLEGEL 120
Partnership r	name	Partnership account	Fiscal period end	Original <b>X</b>
DOM LIMITE	ED DADTMEDCLID	number 80820 9530 RZ0001	Year Month Day 2023-12-31	Amended
	ED PARTNERSHIP	00020 9990 N20001	2025 12 51	
Income sta	atement information			
Description	GIFI			
Is this a NIL so	chedule?			
Operating Bus	siness Name 0001			
Description of	the operation 0002 ELECTRICITY TRANS	MISSION		
Sequence Nu	mber 0003 <u>01</u>			
Account	Description	GIFI	Current year	Prior year
Income s	tatement information —			
	Total sales of goods and services	8089 + _ 8518 =	36,590,000.00	35,352,000.00
	Gross profit/loss	0540	36,590,000.00	35,352,000.00
	Cost of sales	8518 +		
	Total operating expenses	9367 +	15,885,983.00	15,344,000.00
	Total expenses (mandatory field)	9368 = <sub>=</sub>	15,885,983.00	15,344,000.00
	Total revenue (mandatory field)	8299 + _	36,590,000.00	35,352,000.00
	Total expenses (mandatory field)	9368 – _	15,885,983.00	15,344,000.00
	Net non-farming income	9369 = <sub>=</sub>	20,704,017.00	20,008,000.00
- Farming i	income statement information —			
	Total farm revenue (mandatory field)	9659 + _		
	Total farm expenses (mandatory field)	9898 – _		
	Net farm income	9899 = _		
	Net income/loss before extraordinary items – all op	erations 9970 = _	20,704,017.00	20,008,000.00
	Total other comprehensive income	9998 = _		
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– Extraorui	nary items and income (linked to Schedule Extraordinary item(s)	9975 –		
	Legal settlements	9976 –		
	Unrealized gains/losses	9980 +		
	Unusual items	9985 –		
	Current income taxes	9990 – _		
	Deferred income tax provision	9995 —		
	Total – Other comprehensive income		20 704 017 00	20 000 000 00
	Net income/loss after taxes and extraordinary items	s (mandatory field) 9999 = _	20,704,017.00	20,008,000.00

Fiscal period-end

Year Month Day



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### T5013 Schedule 141

### General Index of Financial Information (GIFI) – Additional Information

Partnership account

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B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP	80820 9530 RZ0001	2023-12-31	Amended		
A partnership needs to complete all parts of this schedule that apply and include it with their partnership information return along with the other GIFI schedules.					
• For more information, see Guide RC4088, General Index of Financial Information (GIFI), and Guide T4068, Guide for the Partnership Information Return (T5013 forms).					
- Part 1 – Information on the person primarily involved with the fina	ncial information ——				
Can you identify the person* specified in the heading of Part 1?  If you answered <b>no</b> , go to Part 2.		111 Yes X	No		
Does that person have a professional designation in accounting?		095 Yes X	No		
Is that person connected** with the partnership?		097 Yes	No X		
<ul> <li>A person primarily involved with the financial information is a person who has more the partnership information return is based on. For example, if three persons prepared the the work, answer no at line 111. If they did respectively 10%, 20%, and 70% of the work the third person.</li> <li>A person connected with a partnership can be: (i) a member of the partnership who opartnership; or (iii) a person not dealing at arm's length with the partnership.</li> </ul>	e financial information by doir ork, answer <b>yes</b> at line 111 ar	ng respectively 30%, 30%, and complete Part 1 by referri	nd 40% of ng only to		
Part 2 – Type of involvement					
Choose one or more of the following options that represent your involvement and that of the	ne person referred to in Part	l:			
Completed an auditor's report			300 X		
Completed a review engagement report			301		
Conducted a compilation engagement			302		
Provided accounting services			303		
Provided bookkeeping services			304		
Other			305		
If other, please specify					
Part 3 – Reservations					
If you selected option <b>300</b> or <b>301</b> in Part 2 above, answer the following question:					
Has the person referred to in Part 1 expressed a reservation?		099 Yes	No X		
Part 4 – Other information ————————————————————————————————————					
Were notes to the financial statements prepared?		101 Yes X	No		
Did the partnership have any subsequent events?		104 Yes X	No		
Did the partnership re-evaluate its assets during the fiscal period?		105 Yes	No X		
Did the partnership have any contingent liabilities during the fiscal period?		106 Yes	No X		
Did the partnership have any commitments during the fiscal period?		107 Yes	No X		
Does the partnership have investments in joint ventures? If <b>yes</b> , complete question 109 be	elow	108 Yes	No X		
Is the partnership filing joint venture(s) financial statements?		109 Yes	No		

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Part 4 – Other information (continued) ————————————————————————————————————
Impairment and fair value changes In any of the following assets, was an amount recognized in net income or other comprehensive income as a result of an
impairment loss in the fiscal period, a reversal of an impairment loss recognized in a previous fiscal period, or a change in fair value during the fiscal period?  Yes No X
If yes, enter the amount recognized:
In net income Increase (decrease)
Property, plant, and equipment
Intangible assets
Investment property
Biological assets
Financial instruments
Other
In other comprehensive income Increase (decrease)
Property, plant, and equipment
Intangible assets 216
Financial instruments
Other
Financial instruments
Did the partnership derecognize any financial instrument(s) during the fiscal period (other than trade receivables)? 250 Yes No X
Did the partnership apply hedge accounting during the fiscal period?
Did the partnership discontinue hedge accounting during the fiscal period?
Adjustments to opening partners' capital
Was an amount included in the opening balance of partners' capital, in order to correct an error, to recognize a change in accounting policy, or to adopt a new accounting standard in the current fiscal period?
If <b>yes</b> , you have to maintain a separate reconciliation.
Part 5 – Information on the person who prepared the partnership information return
If the person who prepared the partnership information return has a professional designation in accounting but is not the person identified in Part 1, choose all of the following options that apply:
Prepared the partnership information return and the financial information contained therein
The client provided the financial statements
The client provided a trial balance
The client provided a general ledger
Other 314 X
If other, please specify

See the privacy notice on your return.

### **SCHEDULE 100**

### **GENERAL INDEX OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION – GIFI**

Form identif	fier 100			
Partnership	name		Partnership account number	Fiscal period end Year Month Day
B2M LIM	ITED PARTNERSHIP		80820 9530 RZ0001	2023-12-31
Is this a NIL	schedule?		999 Yes No X	
Assets -	lines 1000 to 2599			
1001	10,995,000.00	<b>1060</b> 2,944,0	000.00	5,212,000.00
1480	30,000.00	<b>1599</b> 19,181,0	000.00	529,114,000.00
1741	-63,924,000.00	<b>2008</b> 529,114,0	000.00	-63,924,000.00
2599	484,371,000.00			
Liabilities	s – lines 2600 to 3499			
2620	364,983.00	<b>2629</b> 2,429,0	000.00	5,688,000.00
3139	8,481,983.00	<b>3140</b> 285,419,0	000.00	736,000.00
3450	286,155,000.00	<b>3499</b> 294,636,9	983.00	
Partner's	capital – lines 3540 to	o 3575		
3545	20,704,017.00	<b>3550</b> 20,704,0	017.00	192,558.00
3552	21,000.00	<b>3553</b> -23,0	000.00	190,558.00
3561	192,110,442.00	<b>3562</b> 20,683,	017.00	-23,250,000.00
3571	189,543,459.00	<b>3575</b> 189,734,	017.00	484,371,000.00

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### **SCHEDULE 125**

### **GENERAL INDEX OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION – GIFI**

Form identifier 125 Partnership Fiscal period end Partnership name Year Month Day account number **B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP** 80820 9530 RZ0001 2023-12-31 Is this a NIL schedule? . . . . 999 X No Description Sequence number ..... 0003 01 Revenue - lines 8000 to 8299 8089 8020 8299 36,590,000.00 36,590,000.00 36,590,000.00 Cost of sales - lines 8300 to 8519 8519 36,590,000.00 Operating expenses - lines 8520 to 9369 8670 8710 9284 6,865,939.00 6,564,000.00 2,456,044.00 9367 9368 9369 15,885,983.00 15,885,983.00 20,704,017.00 Farming revenue - lines 9370 to 9659 9659 0.00 Farming expenses - lines 9660 to 9899 9898 0.00 Extraordinary items and taxes - lines 9970 to 9999

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### **Net Income (Loss) for Income Tax Purposes**

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Partnership name	Partnership account number	Fiscal period end	X Original
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- Fill out this schedule to reconcile the partnership's net income (loss) reported on the financial statements and its net income (loss) for income tax purposes.
- All the information requested in this form and in the documents supporting your information return is "prescribed information".
- Fill out this schedule using the instructions in Guide T4068, Guide for the Partnership Information Return (T5013 forms).
- Fill out a worksheet to identify the source of all the amounts reported on the T5013 information slips.
- Attach the original copy of this completed schedule to Form T5013 FIN, Partnership Financial Return.

Is this a NIL schedule?	Yes X No	
(If yes, do not use zeroes (000 00), dashes ( - ), nil, or N/A on the lines.)		
Amount calculated on line 9999 from Schedule 125 or Schedule 140	500	20,704,017.00
Provision for Part IX.1 specified investment flow through (SIFT) taxes 101		
Amortization/depreciation of tangible assets	6,865,939.00	
Amortization of natural resource assets		
Amortization of intangible assets		
Recapture of capital cost allowance from Schedule 8		
Income or loss for tax purposes from partnerships		
Loss in equity of affiliates		
Loss on disposal of assets per financial statements		
Charitable donations and gifts from Schedule 2		
Political contributions from Schedule 2		
Current fiscal period's holdbacks		
Deferred and prepaid expenses		
Depreciation in inventory – end of fiscal period		
Scientific research and experimental development (SR&ED) expenditures deducted per financial statements		
Capitalized interest and property taxes on vacant land		
Non-deductible club dues and fees		
Non-deductible meals and entertainment expenses		
Non-deductible automobile expenses		
Non-deductible life insurance premiums		
Non-deductible company pension plans		
Reserves from financial statements – balance at the end of the fiscal period 126		
Soft costs on construction and renovation of buildings		
Salaries and wages paid to partners deducted on financial statements 150		
Cost of products available for sale that were consumed 151		
Personal expenses of the partners paid by the partnership 152		
Dividend rental arrangement compensation payment deductions		
Certain fines and penalties		
Amount from line 508 on page 2 of this schedule	661,366.00	
Total (Add lines 101 to 199. Enter this amount on line 501)	7,527,305.00	7,527,305.00
Deduct: Amount from line 511 on page 3 of this schedule	502	15 21 4 276 16
Net income (loss) for income tax purposes – (line 500 plus line 501 minus line 502)	503 =	12,916,445.84
Deduct: Net income (loss) for general partners	504 -	13,570.00
Net income (loss) for income tax purposes for limited and non-active partners		13,3,0,00
(line 503 minus line 504)		12,902,875.84

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Add:		
Accounts payable and accruals for cash basis – closing	01	
Accounts receivable and prepaid for cash basis – opening	202	
Accrual inventory – opening	.03	
Accrued dividends – prior fiscal period	.04	
Book loss on joint ventures or partnerships	.05	
Capital items expensed	.06	
Debt issue expense	.08	
Deemed dividend income	.09	
Deemed interest on loans to non-residents		
Deemed interest received	211	
Development expenses claimed in current fiscal period	.12	
Dividend stop-loss adjustment	.13	
Dividends credited to the investment account	.14	
Exploration expenses claimed in current fiscal period	.15	
Financing fees deducted in books	.16	
Foreign accrual property income	.17	
Foreign affiliate property income		
Foreign exchange included in retained earnings	.19	
Gain on settlement of debt – income inclusion under subsection 80(13)	220	
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Write-down of capital property 2	36	
Amounts received in respect of qualifying environmental trust per paragraphs 12(1)(z.1) and 12(1)(z.2)	237	
Contractors' completion method adjustment: revenue net of costs on contracts under 2 years – previous fiscal period	38	
Taxable/Non-deductible other comprehensive income items	239	
Total (Add lines 201 to 239. Enter this amount on line 5	06) <b>&gt; 506</b> _+	
- a		
Other additions:		
	661,366.00	
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		661 266 00
Total (Add lines 290 to 294. Enter this amount on line 5	07) <u>661,366.00</u> <b>507</b> <u>+</u>	661,366.00
<b>Total</b> ( <b>Add</b> lines 506 and 507)	508 <u>=</u>	661,366.00

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Deduct:			
Accounts payable and accruals for cash basis – opening	300		
Accounts receivable and prepaid for cash basis – closing	301		
Accrual inventory – closing	302		
Accrued dividends – current fiscal period	303		
Bad debt	304		
Book income of joint venture or partnership	305		
Equity in income from affiliates	306		
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Payments made for allocations in proportion to borrowing and			
1 7	315		
Contractors' completion method adjustment: revenue net of costs on	316		
contracts under 2 years content noon period	347		
Non-taxable/Deductible other comprehensive income items	347		
701 702 703 704	391 392 393 394		
<b>Total</b> ( <b>Add</b> lines 300 to 394. Enter this amount on line	509)•	509 +	
Other deductions:			
Gain on disposal of assets per financial statements	401		
Non-taxable dividends under section 83	402		
Capital cost allowance from Schedule 8	15,314,876.16		
Terminal loss from Schedule 8	404		
Foreign non-business tax deduction under subsection 20(12)	407		
Prior fiscal period's holdbacks	408		
Deferred and prepaid expenses	409		
Depreciation in inventory – end of prior fiscal period	410		
SR&ED expenditures claimed in the fiscal period from Form T661 (line 460)	411		
Reserves from financial statements – balance at the beginning of the fiscal period	414		
Patronage dividends	416		
•	417		
Total (Add lines 401 to 417. Enter this amount on line	510) <u>15,314,876.16</u>	510 +	15,314,876.16
Total (Add lines 509 and 510)		511 =	15,314,876.16
Enter this amount on line 502 on page 1 of this schedule.			, , ,
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- Fill out this schedule to designate immediate expensing property.
- Fill out this schedule using the instructions in the T4068, Guide for the Partnership Information Return (T5013 forms).
- If you do not have enough space to list all the information, use an additional T5013 Schedule 8.
- Attach the original copy of this completed schedule to Form T5013 FIN, Partnership Financial Return.

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section 1104(3.3) of the Regulations?	
Are you associated in the fiscal period with one or more EPOPs with which you have entered into an agreement under	If you answered <b>yes</b> , complete Part 1. Otherwise, go to Part 2.

	Are	Are you associated in the fiscal period with one or more EPOPs with which you have entered into an agreement under subsection 1104(3.3) of the Regulations?	:	105 Yes No	
	If yo	If you answered <b>yes</b> , complete Part 1. Otherwise, go to Part 2.			
	Ente	Enter a percentage assigned to each associated EPOP (including your partnership) as determined in the agreement.			
ı ay	This grou	This percentage will be used to allocate the immediate expensing limit. The total of all the percentages assigned under the agreement should not exceed 100%. If the total is more than 100%, then the associated group has an immediate expensing limit of nil. For more information about the immediate expensing limit, see note 12 in Part 3.	ore than 10	00%, then the associated	
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of 4		Name of EPOP	umber	Percentage assigned	
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	4	4		5	%
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	7	7		5	%
	<sub>∞</sub>	8		5	%
			Total	5	%
	mm	Immediate expensing limit allocated to the partnership (see <b>note 2</b> )	125		
	Note	Note 1: The identification number is the social insurance number, business number, or partnership account number of the EPOP.			
	Note	Note 2: Multiply 1.5 million by the percentage assigned to your partnership in column 3.			

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kpensing property (DIEP) is used	DIEP is used. For more information about DIEP, see note 5 in Part 3.  anadian-controlled private corporations (CCPC), individuals (other than trusts)  No X	No	tax purposes before any CCA deductions)	3 3 3 Income hefore any CCA Accreasts amount of DIED	e =:	165 170			
Part 2 – Income earned from the source in which the designated immediate expensing property (DIEP) is used	The source refers to the business or property from which the income was earned and in which the DIEP is used. For more information about DIEP, see note 5 in Part 3.  Are you a Canadian partnership of which all of the members were, throughout the fiscal period, Canadian-controlled private corporations (CCPC), individuals (other than trusts) resident in Canada or a combination thereof?	If you answered <b>yes</b> , complete Part 2. Otherwise, go to Part 3.	If you answered <b>no</b> , enter the income of that source of income (net income for income tax purposes befor If the answer is <b>yes</b> , complete the table below.	1 Source of income		160	3 2 -	4 S 15 of	9

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Part 3 – CCA calculation −

See note 4  Cost of acquisitions during property (DIEP)  See note 5  Cost of acquisitions during the fiscal period (new property of column 3 that are designated property (DIEP)  See note 4  Cost of acquisitions from Column 3 that are designated property (DIEP)  Cost of acquisitions from Adjustments and transfers (show amounts that will is assistance received or property (DIEP)  Amount from column 5 that is repaid during the fiscal period for a property, subsequent to its disposition  See note 5  Cost of acquisitions from Adjustments and transfers (show amounts that will is assistance received or property, period for a property, subsequent to its disposition should be a property or a property or a property.  See note 5  Cost of acquisitions from Adjustments and transfers (show amounts that will is assistance received or a property, are period for a property.  See note 5  See note 6  See note 7  See note 8	203 232 221 222	65'	740	76.			10 11 12 13 14 15	UCC (column 2 <b>plus</b> UCC of the DIEP Immediate expensing column 2 <b>plus</b> or remainder of Class Inter the UCC amount plus or remainder of Class Inter the UCC amount 3 plus or inverted in column 4.2 inverted	See note 11 Classes 54 to 56
2 Undepreciated capital cost (UCC) at the beginning of the fiscal period	201	2,303,493.59	157,005,840.40	38,032,416.97			6	Proceeds of dispositions of the DIEP (enter column 8 min that relates to the DIEP	

16 Proceeds of disposition available to reduce the UCC of AllP and property included in Classes 54 to 56 (column 8 plus column 6 minus column 13 plus column 7 (if negative, enter "0") See note 14	
15 Remaining UCC (column 10 <b>minus</b> column 12)	2,303,493.59 157,005,840.40 38,032,416.97
Cost of acquisitions from column 13 that are accelerated investment incentive properties (AIIP) or properties included in Classes 54 to 56 See note 13	
13 Cost of acquisitions on remainder of Class (column 3 minus column 12)	
12 Immediate expensing See note 12 238	
UCC of the DIEP (enter the UCC amount that relates to the DIEP reported in column 4) See note 11	
10 UCC (column 2 plus column 3 plus or minus column 5 minus column 8) See note 10	2,303,493.59 157,005,840.40 38,032,416.97 Totals
Proceeds of dispositions of the DIEP (enter amount from column 8 that relates to the DIEP reported in column 4)	

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# - Part 3 - CCA calculation (continued)

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Enter the amount from line 230 on line 107 of T5013 Schedule 1. Enter the amount from line 240 on line 404 of T5013 Schedule 1.

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Enter the amount from line 250 on line 403 of T5013 Schedule 1.

municipality or other public authority, or a reduction of capital cost after the application of section 80. This property would have been previously excluded from column 3. List separately any acquisitions of property in the class that are not subject to the 50% rule. See Income Tax Folio S3-F4-C1, General Discussion of Capital Cost Allowance, for exceptions to the 50% rule. Do not include any amount in Include any property acquired in previous fiscal periods that has now become available for use, net of any assistance received or entitled to be received in the fiscal period from a government, If a class number has not been provided in Schedule II of the Income Tax Regulations for a particular class of property, use the subsection provided in Regulation 1101. column 3 in respect of property included in column 5 (see note 6). Note 4: Note 3:

Classes 1 to 6, 14.1, 17, 47, 49, and 51. A property can only qualify as DIEP in the fiscal period in which it becomes available for use. See subsection 1104(3.1) of the Regulations for more information. any member of the partnership for the fiscal period to which the designation relates. It includes all capital property subject to the CCA rules, if certain conditions are met, other than property included in or before 2024 in any other case. The property is designated as such on or before the day that is 12 months after the filing due date of an information return under section 229 of the Regulations by A DIEP reported in column 4 is a property acquired after December 31, 2021, by a Canadian partnership (all of the members of which were, throughout the period, Canadian-controlled private corporations, individuals (other than trusts) resident in Canada or a combination thereof) that becomes available for use before 2025 (if all the members are individuals throughout the fiscal period). Note 5:

If there is more than one source of income, the total amount of DIEP reported in Part 2 (total of column 3) should be equal to the total amount of DIEP reported in Part 3 (total of column 4).

## - Part 3 - CCA calculation (continued)

- Enter in column 5, "Adjustments and transfers", amounts that increase or reduce the UCC (column 10). Items that increase the UCC include amounts transferred under subsection 97(2). Items that reduce the UCC (show amounts that reduce the UCC in brackets) include assistance received or receivable during the fiscal period for a property, subsequent to its disposition, if such assistance would have decreased the capital cost of the property by virtue of paragraph 13(7.1)(f). See the Guide T4068 for other examples of adjustments and transfers to include in column 5.
- Also include property acquired in a non-arm's length transaction (other than by virtue of a right referred to in paragraph 251(5)(b) of the Act) if the property was a depreciable property acquired by the ransferor at least 364 days before the end of your fiscal period and continuously owned by the transferor until it was acquired by you.
- Include all amounts of assistance you received (or were entitled to receive) after the disposition of a depreciable property that would have decreased the capital cost of the property by virtue of paragraph 13(7.1)(f) if received before the disposition. Note 7:
- Include all amounts you have repaid during the fiscal period for any legally required repayment, made after the disposition of a corresponding property, of: Note 8:
- assistance that would have otherwise increased the capital cost of the property under paragraph 13(7.1)(d) and
- an inducement, assistance, or any other amount contemplated in paragraph 12(1)(x) received, that otherwise would have increased the capital cost of the property under paragraph 13(7.4)(b)
  - Also include property acquired in a non-arm's length transaction (other than by virtue of a right referred to in paragraph 251(5)(b) of the Act) if the property was a depreciable property acquired by each property disposed of during the fiscal period, deduct from the proceeds of disposition any outlays and expenses to the extent that they were made or incurred for the purpose of making the transferor less than 364 days before the end of your fiscal period and continuously owned by the transferor until it was acquired by you. Note 9:
- deal at arm's length, the proceeds of disposition will be adjusted based on a factor equal to the prescribed amount as a proportion of the actual cost of the vehicle. The actual cost of the vehicle will be f the cost of a zero-emission passenger vehicle (or a passenger vehicle that was, at any time, a DIEP) exceeds the prescribed amount and it is disposed of to a person or partnership with which you the disposition(s). The amount reported in respect of the property cannot exceed the property's capital cost, unless that property is a timber resource property as defined in subsection 13(21) adjusted for payment or repayment of government assistance.
- Note 10: If the amount in column 5 (as shown in brackets) reduces the UCC, you must subtract it for the purposes of the calculation. Otherwise, add the amount in column 5 for the purpose of the calculation.
  - The amount to enter in column 11 must not exceed the amount in column 10. If it does, enter in column 11 the amount from column 10. If the amount determined in column 10 is zero or a negative amount, enter zero. The only amounts incurred before 2022, to be included in this column are certain inventory purchases from arm's length persons or partnerships where the conditions in paragraphs 1100(0.3)(a) to (c) are met. Note 11:
- Note 12: Immediate expensing applies to a DIEP included in column 11. The total immediate expensing for the fiscal period (total of column 12) is limited to the lesser of: Page 18 of 41
  - 1. Immediate expensing limit: it is equal to one of the following five amounts, whichever is applicable:
    - \$1.5 million, if you are not associated with any other EPOP in the fiscal period
- amount from line 125, if you are associated in the fiscal period with one or more EPOPs
- nil, if the total of the percentages assigned in Part 1 is more than 100% or you are associated in the fiscal period with one or more EPOPs and have not filed an agreement in prescribed form as required under subsection 1104(3.3) of the Regulations
- the amount determined under subsection 1104(3.5) of the Regulations for any second or subsequent fiscal periods ending in a calendar year, if you have two or more fiscal periods ending in the calendar year in which you are associated with another EPOP that has a tax year ending in that calendar year
  - any amount allocated by the minister under subsection 1104(3.4) of the Regulations

The immediate expensing limit has to be prorated if your fiscal period is less than 51 weeks. You cannot carry forward any unused amount of the immediate expensing limit.

- 2. UCC of the DIEP: total of column 11
- 3. Income earned from the source in which the DIEP is used: amount from line 156 or relevant source of income from line 165
- Note 13: An AIIP is a property (other than property included in Classes 54 to 56) that you acquired after November 20, 2018, and that became available for use before 2028.
  - Classes 54 and 55 include zero-emission vehicles that you acquired after March 18, 2019, and that became available for use before 2028.
- Class 56 applies to eligible zero-emission automotive equipment and vehicles (other than motor vehicles) that are acquired after March 1, 2020, and that became available for use before 2028. See Guide T4068 for more information.
- Note 14: Include only elements from columns 6 and 7 that are not related to the DIEP.

# - Part 3 - CCA calculation (continued)

Note 15: The relevant factors for property of a class in Schedule II, that is an AIIP or included in Classes 54 to 56, available for use before 2024 are:

- 2 1/3 for property in Classes 43.1, 54, and 56
  - \_ 1 1/2 for property in Class 55
- \_ 1 for property in Classes 43.2 and 53
- 0 for property in Classes 12, 13, 14, and 15, as well as properties that are Canadian vessels included in paragraph 1100(1)(v) of the Regulations (see note 20 for additional information) and
- 0.5 for all other property that is an AIIP
- The UCC adjustment for property acquired during the fiscal period (also known as the half-year rule or 50% rule) does not apply to certain property (including AIIP and property included in Classes 54 to 56). Include only elements from columns 6 and 7 that are not related to the DIEP. Note 16:
- For special rules and exceptions, see Income Tax Folio S3-F4-C1, General Discussion of Capital Cost Allowance.
- Enter a rate only if you are using the declining balance method. For any other method (for example, the straight-line method, where calculations are always based on the cost of acquisitions). enter N/A. Then enter the amount you are claiming in column 23 Note 17:
- 18: If the amount in column 10 is negative, you have a recapture of CCA. If applicable, enter the negative amount from column 10 in column 21 as a positive. The recapture rules do not apply to passenger vehicles in Class 10.1. However, they do apply to a passenger vehicle that was, at any time, a DIEP
- Note 19: If no property is left in the class at the end of the fiscal period and there is still a positive amount in the column 10, you have a terminal loss. If applicable, enter the positive amount from column 10 in column 22. The terminal loss rules do not apply to:
- passenger vehicles in Class 10.1
- property in Class 14.1, unless you have ceased carrying on the business to which it relates
- limited-period franchises, concessions, or licences in Class 14 if, at the time of acquisition, the property was a former property of the transferor or any similar property attributable to the same fixed place of business, and you had jointly elected with the transferor to have the replacement property rules apply, unless certain conditions are met
- Note 20: If the fiscal period is shorter than 365 days, prorate the CCA claim. Some classes of property do not have to be prorated. See Guide T4068 for more information.

For property in class 10.1 disposed of during the fiscal period, deduct a maximum of 50% of the regular CCA deduction if you owned the property at the beginning of the fiscal period.

or AIIP listed below, the maximum first fiscal period allowance you can claim is determined as follows:

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- Class 13: the lesser of 150% of the amount calculated in Schedule III of the Regulations and the UCC at the end of the fiscal period (before any CCA deduction)
- Class 14: the lesser of 150% of the allocation for the fiscal period of the capital cost of the property apportioned over the remaining life of the property (at the time the cost was incurred) and the UCC at the end of the fiscal period (before any CCA deduction)
- Class 15: the lesser of 150% of an amount computed on the basis of a rate per cord, board foot, or cubic metre cut in the fiscal period and the UCC at the end of the fiscal period (before any CCA deduction
- Canadian vessels described under paragraph 1100(1)(v) of the Regulations: the lesser of 50% of the capital cost of the property and the UCC at the end of the fiscal period (before any CCA
- Class 41.2: use a 25% CCA rate. The additional allowance under paragraphs 1100(1)(y.2) (for single mine properties) and 1100(1)(ya.2) (for multiple mine properties) of the Regulations is not eligible for the accelerated investment incentive. The additional allowance in respect of natural gas liquefaction under paragraph 1100(1)(yb) of the Regulations is eligible for the accelerated investment incentive

The AIIP also applies to property (other than a timber resource property) that is a timber limit or a right to cut timber from a limit as well as to industrial mineral mine. See the Income Tax Regulations for more detail.

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# Partner's Ownership and Account Activity

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Amended X Original Fiscal period end Year Month Day 2023-12-31 Partnership account number 808209530RZ0001 B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP Partnership name

Fill out this schedule to reconcile each partner's interest in the partnership (including partners who retired during the fiscal perior

All the information requested in this form and in the documents supporting your information return is "prescribed information".

• Fill out this schedule using the instructions in Guide T4068, Guide for the Partnership Information Return (T5013 forms).

• If you do not have enough space to list all the information, use an additional Schedule 50.

Attach the original copy of this completed schedule to Form T5013 FIN, Partnership Financial Return.

Number of partners	010	ĸ
Number of partners who disposed of all, or part of, their partnership interest	011	
Number of nominees or agents	012	П
Total of all amounts from line 220	015	12,916,446.00

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### **Summary of Partnership Income**

# T5013

Fill out this summary and the related slips using the instructions in Guide T4068, Guide for the Partnership Information Return (T5013 Forms).

The partnership information return is made up of three parts:

• T5013 FIN, Partnership Financial Return

Canada Revenue

- · All the T5013 schedules the partnership has to file, depending on its fiscal situation
- T5013, Statement of Partnership Income, slips and this summary

If you make certain payments to a non-resident of Canada, the amounts must be reported on an NR4 return. For more information, see Guide T4061, NR4 - Non-Resident Tax Withholding, Remitting and Reporting.

For more information on filing the partnership information return, go to canada.ca/t5013-filing-requirements.

	Summary
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Part 1 - Identification ————								
Partnership's account number				Year Month Day				Year Month Day
80820 9530 RZ0001			Fiscal period-start	2023-01-01		Fiscal peri	od-end	2023-12-31
Name of the partnership							Р	ostal or ZIP code
B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP							ı	_6G1B7
Are you a nominee or an agent? (If yes, provide the f	following inf	forma	tion)					Yes X No
Nominee or agent's account number	Name of	the n	ominee or agent				Р	ostal or ZIP code
s the partnership a tax shelter?								
If yes, enter the tax shelter identification number (TS								
┌ Part 2 – Totals from T5013 slips ——								
Total number of T5013 information slips attached							009	3
Total limited partner's business income (loss)							010	12,902,876.00
Total business income (loss)							020	13,570.00
Total capital gains (losses)							030	
Capital cost allowance							040	15,314,876.16
Fill out the six boxes below using the information	found on	the T	T5013 slips					
Canadian and foreign net rental income (loss)							110	
							120	
Renounced Canadian exploration expenses .							190	
Renounced Canadian development expenses							191	
Expenses qualifying for an ITC *  Total carrying charges							210	
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* Line 194 is the total of all the amounts in boxes 194	and 239 of	of all th	ne T5013 slips.					
┌ Part 3 – Contact information ———								
076 Person to contact about this summary						(	<b>78</b> Tele	phone number
Tran, Nancy							(416) 47	3-5833
┌ Part 4 – Certification								
I certify that the information given in this summary ar	d the relate	ed slip	os is correct and compl	ete.				
2024-03-13   Nancy Tran			igitally signed by Nancy Tran late: 2024.03.19 08:24:14 -04'00'		V	'P CORPORA	TF TAX	
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## **Attached Notes – Summary**

Name of the cell GIF	-I code 3553 – General partners' drawings	Form	Sch. 3575 - Partners' capital
Per F/S, total distributions	s = 23,273K		
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	FI code 3563 – Limited partners' drawings	Form	Sch. 3575 - Partners' capital
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Name of the cell GIF	FI code 3552 – General partners' net income (loss)	Form	Sch. 3575 - Partners' capital
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Name of the cellT5013 - Box 020 - Total business income (loss)	Form	T5013/RL-15 Data entry screen - Partnership income
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B2M LIMITED PARTNERSHIP

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## **Z-FACTOR CLAIMS**

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- B2L LP is not seeking recovery of any material costs associated with unforeseen events
- as described in section 2.8.12 of the Filing Requirements.

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#### **CAPITAL STRUCTURE/COST OF CAPITAL**

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this evidence is to summarize the method and cost of financing B2M LP's capital requirements for the 2025 to 2029 Application period.

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The cost of capital as described in this exhibit has been reflected in the revenue requirements for each year of this Application.

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At the time of the Draft Rate Order (DRO) in this proceeding, B2M LP intends to update the 2025 to 2029 revenue requirements based on the OEB's release of its 2025 cost of capital parameters to reflect: (a) the OEB-prescribed 2025 return on equity (ROE) and short-term debt rates; and (b) a long-term debt rate based on B2M LP's forecast debt refinancing in 2025, using the September 2024 Consensus Forecast. The ROE and short-term debt rate parameters will remain fixed over the five-year rate term.

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For the 2026 revenue requirement year, B2M LP proposes a one-time update to the cost of long-term debt to reflect the actual market rate achieved on the long-term debt it will issue in 2025. This will allow actual debt issuances made to refinance maturing debt in 2025 to be reflected in the 2026 revenue requirement and through to the end of the rate term. This approach is consistent with the last approved update to 2020 cost of long-term debt in the 2021 annual update application for B2M LP (EB-2020-0226).<sup>1</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Past approval of a one-time update to cost of long-term debt was approved in EB-2019-0178, B2M LP's 2020-2024 Decision and Order, Schedule A, Issue 14

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#### 2.0 CAPITAL STRUCTURE

- 2 B2M LP's deemed capital structure for rate-making purposes is 60% debt and 40%
- common equity of utility rate base, as affirmed by the OEB's Decision in B2M LP's 2020
- 4 to 2024 transmission rate application (EB-2019-0178). The 60% debt component is
- 5 comprised of 4% deemed short-term debt and 56% long-term debt.
- 7 This structure is consistent with the OEB's Report on the Cost of Capital for Ontario's
- 8 Regulated Utilities, dated December 11, 2009 (EB-2009-0084), and its subsequent
- 9 Review of the Existing Methodology of the Cost of Capital for Ontario's Regulated
- 10 Utilities dated January 14, 2016.

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#### 3.0 COST OF CAPITAL SUMMARY

The cost of capital as described in this exhibit has been reflected in the revenue requirement for each year of this Application. B2M LP's proposed 2025 to 2029 cost of capital requirements are presented in Exhibit G-01-03.

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As discussed above, when the OEB releases its 2025 cost of capital parameters during this proceeding, B2M LP will update the revenue requirement for the 2025 test year to reflect: (a) the OEB-prescribed 2025 ROE and short-term debt rates; and (b) a long-term debt rate based on B2M LP's weighted average of its existing debt rate and the rate on B2M LP's forecast debt refinancing in 2025, using the September 2024 Consensus Forecast.

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The historical, bridge and test years' debt and equity summary schedules are provided at Exhibit G-01-03.

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Hydro One expects the OEB to issue its Decision and Order before B2M LP issues new 10-year debt to refinance its maturing long-term 5-year debt in 2025. The future refinancing rate on a portion of B2M LP's long-term debt is unknown and may have an impact on B2M LP's financial performance if the actual cost is not reflected in rates. As such, B2M LP proposes a one-time update to the cost of long-term debt for the 2026

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revenue requirement year to reflect the actual market rate achieved on the long-term 1 debt it will issue in 2025.2 2

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#### 3.1 **RETURN ON COMMON EQUITY**

- B2M LP's evidence reflects a return on equity (ROE) of 9.21% as a placeholder for 2025 5
- to 2029 based on the cost of capital parameters released by the OEB on October 31, 6
- 2023, effective for January 1, 2024 rates. It is calculated according to the OEB's
- formulaic approach in Appendix B of the Cost of Capital for Ontario's Regulated Utilities 8
- report, dated December 11, 2009 (EB-2009-0084). 9

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As set out above, B2M LP will update the equity cost of capital for the 2025 test year by 11 using the 2025 ROE to be prescribed by the OEB in the fall of 2024. 12

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#### 3.2 **DEEMED SHORT-TERM DEBT**

The OEB has determined that the deemed amount of short-term debt that should be factored into rate setting be fixed at 4% of rate base. The deemed short-term rate of 16 6.23% is being used by B2M LP as a placeholder for 2025 to 2029 and is based on the 17 Cost of Capital Parameters released by the OEB on October 31, 2023, for rates effective 18 January 1, 2024. 19

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B2M LP will update the short-term debt rate for the 2025 test year based on the 2025 deemed short-term debt rate to be prescribed by the OEB in the fall of 2024.

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#### 3.3 LONG-TERM DEBT

The OEB has determined that the deemed amount of long-term debt that should be 25 factored into rate setting be fixed at 56% of rate base, in B2M LP's 2020 to 2024 26 transmission rate application (EB-2019-0178). The forecast weighted average long-term 27 debt rate is calculated to be 3.07% for 2025. 28

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Consistent with the 2021 revenue requirement update application (EB-2020-0226)

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- At the time of DRO, B2M LP will update the long-term debt rate for the 2025 test year
- based on B2M LP's weighted average of its existing debt rate and the September 2024
- 3 Consensus Forecast, consistent with the proposed update of the return on common
- equity and deemed short-term interest rate.

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#### 3.3.1 B2M LP LONG-TERM DEBT

- 7 Hydro One Inc. provides treasury services to B2M LP. B2M LP issues debt to Hydro One
- 8 Inc. to reflect debt issued by Hydro One Inc. to third-party public debt investors. In 2020,
- 9 Hydro One Inc. issued five, ten and thirty-year notes to third-party investors to finance
- 100% of B2M LP's debt. Third-party public debt investors hold all of the long-term debt
- issued by Hydro One Inc. The debt portfolio for B2M LP is detailed in Exhibit G-01-02.

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#### 3.3.2 CREDIT RATINGS

As an issuing entity, Hydro One Inc. obtains credit ratings from credit rating agencies as a requirement to issue medium term notes in the Canadian public debt markets. Table 1 lists the credit ratings of Hydro One Inc.'s debt obligations by DBRS Limited, Moody's Investors Service and S&P Global Ratings:

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**Table 1 - Credit Ratings for Hydro One Inc.** 

Rating Agency	Short-term Debt	Long-term Debt
DBRS Limited (DBRS)	R-1 (low)	A (high)
Moody's Investors Service (Moody's)	Prime-2	А3
S&P Global Ratings (S&P)	A-1(low)	A-

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Rating agency reports are available at Exhibit A-06-03 of Hydro One's 2023-27 Custom IR Application for Transmission and Distribution (EB-2021-0110).

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#### 3.3.3 COST OF LONG-TERM DEBT

The long-term debt rate for 2025 is calculated as the weighted average cost rate on existing debt and forecast 10-year debt planned to be issued in 2025 to refinance the maturing 5-year debt issued in 2020. The proposed weighted average long-term debt

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rate for 2025 is 3.07%. Details used in the calculation of the forecast long-term debt rate are presented at Exhibit G-01-02, Page 1.

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#### 4 3.3.4 FORECAST DEBT

- 5 The OEB has determined in its Cost of Capital Report that the rate for new debt that is
- 6 held by a third-party public debt investor will be the prudently negotiated contract rate.
- 7 This would include recognition of premiums and discounts.

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B2M LP's planned borrowing requirement in 2025 is \$85.8M, based on its most recent forecast. B2M LP's borrowing requirements are driven entirely by the maturity of its existing debt.

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B2M LP issued 5, 10 and 30-year notes in 2020 for the entire amount of its debt. These are the standard maturity terms preferred by investors and represent the typical financing terms that Hydro One Inc. utilizes to execute its financing strategy and raise required funds. The timing of this issuance yielded a very low rate that provided ratepayers with low long-term debt costs over the last five years. For planning purposes, it is assumed that B2M LP's new 10-year debt issue will replace the existing 5-year debt issued in 2025, which is maturing on February 28, 2025. The 10-year and 30-year debt issued in 2020 will remain as existing debt with approximately 5 and 25 years to maturity remaining respectively.

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For the purpose of this application, B2M LP's evidence reflects a long-term debt rate of 4.35%, as a placeholder for the maturing debt for 2025 to 2029. From January to February 28, 2025, the cost of existing debt of 1.78% is applied and, from February 28, 2025, to December 31, 2029, B2M LP has applied the long-term debt rate based on Hydro One's forecast for new 10-year debt rate calculation for 2025, reflecting the January 2024 Consensus Forecasts and the average of indicative new issue spreads for January 2024.

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Table 2 lists the fixed rate 10-year note that Hydro One Inc. plans to issue for B2M LP in

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2025, as shown in line 4 of Exhibit G-01-02, page 1.

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Table 2 - Forecast Debt Issues for 2025

Principal Amount (\$M)	Term (Years)	Coupon
85.8	10	4.348%

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Including the refinanced debt at the rate above, B2M LP has calculated the weighted average debt rate to be 3.07% for 2025 as shown in Exhibit G-01-02, respectively.

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B2M LP assumes that for rates effective January 1, 2025, the forecast interest rate for B2M LP's debt issues will be updated based on the September 2024 Consensus Forecasts and the average of indicative new issue spreads for September 2024 that will be obtained from the Hydro One Medium Term Note (MTN) dealer group for each planned issuance term.

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#### 3.3.5 INTEREST RATES ON 2025 FORECAST DEBT ISSUE

B2M LP's borrowing will be financed at market rates applicable to Hydro One Inc. Table 3 summarizes the derivation of the forecast Hydro One Inc. yields for the planned 10-year issuance term for 2025.

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Table 3 - Forecast Yield for 2025 Issuance Terms

	2025
	10-year
Government of Canada	3.20%
Hydro One Spread	1.15%
Forecast Hydro One Yield	4.35%

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Each rate comprises the forecast Government of Canada bond yield plus the Hydro One Inc. credit spread applicable to that term. The ten-year Government of Canada bond yield forecast for 2025 is based on the average of the three-month and 12-month

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- forecast from the January 2024 Consensus Forecast. Hydro One's credit spreads over
- the Government of Canada bonds are based on the average of indicative new issue
- spreads for January 2024 obtained from the Company's MTN dealer group for each
- 4 planned issuance term.

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- 6 B2M LP assumes that, for rates effective January 1, 2025, the forecast interest rate for
- 7 Hydro One Inc.'s debt issues will be based on the September 2024 Consensus
- 8 Forecasts and the average of indicative new issue spreads for September 2024 that will
- be obtained from the Hydro One Inc. MTN dealer group for each planned issuance term.

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#### 3.3.6 TREASURY OM&A COSTS

- 12 Treasury OM&A costs are incurred to:
  - execute borrowing plans and issue commercial paper and long-term debt;
  - ensure compliance with securities regulations, bank and debt covenants;
  - manage B2M LP's daily liquidity position, control cash, and manage the company's bank accounts;
  - settle all transactions and manage relationships with creditors; and
  - communicate with debt investors, banks and credit rating agencies.

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Treasury OM&A costs are provided in the long-term debt schedules for the test years in Exhibit G-01-02.

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#### 3.3.7 OTHER FINANCING-RELATED FEES

Column (e) of Exhibit G-01-02 (Premium, Discount and Expenses) represents the costs of issuing debt. These costs are specific to each debt issue and include commissions, legal fees, debt discounts or premiums on issues and re-openings of issues relative to par, and hedge gains or losses.

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Other financing-related fees include the Transmission allocation of Hydro One Inc.'s standby credit facility, annual credit rating agency, filing fees to security regulators,

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- letters of credit, banking, custodial and trustee fees. These fees are summarized in the
- long-term debt schedules for the test years in Exhibit G-01-02.

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## **COST OF LONG-TERM DEBT CAPITAL**

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3 This exhibit has been filed separately in MS Excel format.

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## SUMMARY OF COST OF CAPITAL (UTILITY CAPITAL STRUCTURE)

This exhibit has been filed separately in MS Excel format.

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#### **REGULATORY ACCOUNTS**

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

- The purpose of this exhibit is to provide a description of B2M LP's regulatory accounts
- and proposal with respect to account requests and disposition. The regulatory accounts
- reported by B2M LP have been established consistent with the Ontario Energy Board's
- 7 (OEB) requirements as set out in the Accounting Procedures Handbook, subsequent
- 8 OEB direction, or as per specific requests initiated by B2M LP.

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B2M LP's regulatory balances were last disposed on a final basis in EB-2020-0251 as of December 31, 2020.<sup>1</sup>

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In this Application, B2M LP requests disposition of its regulatory account balance in the Earnings Sharing Mechanism (ESM) deferral account that accumulated between 2022 and 2023, as summarized in Table 1:

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Table 1 - Summary of Regulatory Account Balances (\$)

Description	Principal Balance as at Dec. 31, 2023	Projected Interest up to Dec. 31, 2024	Total Balance
Tax Rate and Rule Changes Variance Account	0	0	0
Forgone Revenue Deferral Account	0	0	0
ESM Deferral Account	(732,119)	(44,208)	(776,327)
Total Group 2 Balances	(732,119)	(44,208)	(776,327)

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> EB-2020-0251, 2021 Uniform Transmission Rates, Decision and Rate Order, December 17, 2020

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The projected interest for 2024 is calculated by applying interest on the December 31,

2 2023 principal balance, using the OEB's quarterly prescribed interest rates for deferral

and variance accounts. As shown in the Deferral and Variance Account continuity

schedule at Exhibit H-01-01, Attachment 1, there is a small principal adjustment of

\$20.7K in 2023 reflecting activity in 2022 due to improper inclusion of a small First

Nations segment in the year-end ESM calculations. This adjustment was discovered

during the review of the 2022 Regulated ROE calculations. Given that the general ledger

8 (GL) for 2022 was closed, the adjustment was booked to the GL in 2023. However, the

adjustment was reflected in the 2022 audited financial statements as filed in Exhibit A-

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Information on each account and its balance is described in Section 2.0 of this Exhibit, with a detailed continuity schedule for the period 2020 to the present, showing separate itemization of opening balances, annual adjustments, transactions, interest and closing balances presented in Exhibit H-01-01, Attachment 1. No adjustments have been made to account balances that were previously approved by the OEB on a final basis.

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B2M LP is requesting to dispose of the ESM deferral account balance as part of its revenue requirement over a one-year period commencing January 1, 2025.

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#### 2.0 DESCRIPTION OF REGULATORY ACCOUNTS

The OEB has approved the establishment of three regulatory accounts for B2M LP which are described herein.

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#### 2.1 TAX RATE AND RULE CHANGES VARIANCE ACCOUNT (ACCOUNT 1592)

On December 29, 2015, the OEB approved the establishment of the Tax Rate and Rule Changes Variance account as part of the OEB's decision for the 2015-2019 revenue requirement application (EB-2015-0026). On January 20, 2020, the OEB approved the continuance of this account as part of the 2020-2024 revenue requirement application (EB-2019-0178).

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This account tracks the revenue requirement impact of the differences that may arise from:

- a legislative or regulatory change to the tax rates or rules compared to costs approved by the OEB as part of transmission rates; and
- a change in, or a disclosure of, a new assessment or administrative policy that is published in the public tax administration or interpretation bulletins by relevant federal or provincial tax authorities.

B2M LP proposes continuance of this account in order to track the revenue requirement impact of any legislative or regulatory changes to tax rates or rules during the 2025 to 2029 term.

#### 2.2 FORGONE REVENUE DEFERRAL ACCOUNT (ACCOUNT 1508)

The OEB approved the establishment of the forgone revenue deferral account in its decision on the 2017 revenue requirement application (EB-2016-0349) and in accordance with the accounting order approved in the final Decision and Order on June 29, 2017. The forgone revenue account tracked the difference between revenue earned by B2M LP under the interim 2017 rates set at the 2016 Uniform Transmission Rates (UTR) level, and the revenues that would have been received under the approved 2017 UTR based on the OEB-approved 2017 load forecast. The balance was subsequently recovered from ratepayers over a one-year period ending December 31, 2018.

As part of the OEB's decision for the 2018 revenue requirement on May 10, 2018 (EB-2017-0380), the OEB directed B2M LP to record the difference between revenue earned by B2M LP under the interim 2018 rates set at the 2017 UTR level, and the revenues that would have been received under the approved 2018 UTR based on the OEB-approved 2018 load forecast.

In the 2020-2024 revenue requirement application (EB-2019-0178), the OEB approved the continuation of the forgone revenue deferral account until the difference between the 2020 interim UTRs and final UTRs was recovered by B2M LP, after which the forgone

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revenue deferral account will no longer be required.<sup>2</sup> In the OEB's 2020 UTR decision

- (EB-2020-0180), the OEB approved the continued use of the forgone revenue deferral
- account to track the amounts for disposition after 2020<sup>3</sup>, and in the OEB's 2021 Decision
- and Order for B2M LP (EB-2020-0226), the OEB approved the disposition of 2020
- 5 forgone revenue and accrued interest as part of the 2021 UTR rates proceeding (in EB-
- 6 2020-0251).4

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B2M LP proposes continuance of this account in the event the OEB's decision on the application may not be available by January 1, 2025. As such, B2M LP proposes to use the forgone revenue deferral account to record any differences between the interim revenue requirement awarded (as at the effective date) and the actual revenue included in the final decision (as at the implementation date). Any balance will be interest improved and submitted for disposition at B2M LP's next rate application.

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# 2.3 EARNINGS SHARING MECHANISM DEFERRAL (ESM) ACCOUNT (ACCOUNT 2435)

The OEB approved the establishment of the ESM deferral account for B2M LP, effective January 1, 2020, in its decision for the 2020-2024 revenue requirement application (EB-2019-0178). The ESM deferral account was established to record any over-earnings realized during any year of the five-year term that was above 100 basis points of the deemed return on equity.

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The use of an ESM provides protection for ratepayers if forecasts differ from actual results over the five-year period. The 100 basis points is consistent with the OEB-approved materiality threshold for Hydro One Transmission. The ratepayer share of the earnings is adjusted for any tax impacts and is credited to the deferral account that is now brought forward for disposition in this Application.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> EB-2019-0178, B2M LP, Decision and Order, January 16, 2020, p. 3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> EB-2020-0180, 2020 Uniform Transmission Rates, revised July 31, 2020, p. 16

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> EB-2020-0226, B2M LP, Decision and Order, p. 8

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- B2M LP proposes continuance of this account over the 2025 to 2029 rate period and will
- share with customers 50% of any earnings that exceed the regulatory return on equity
- reflected in this Application by more than 100 basis points in any year of the five-year
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#### 3.0 ACCOUNTS SOUGHT FOR DISPOSITION

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### 3.1 ESM DEFERRAL ACCOUNT (ACCOUNT 2435)

As of January 1, 2025, B2M LP is requesting approval to dispose of the ESM deferral account balance as of December 31, 2023. The calculation of the ROE uses actual rate base as determined by the sum of the Average regulated fixed assets and working capital allowance, as set out in the "Calculation of ROE on a Deemed Basis" filed pursuant to the OEB's RRR reporting.<sup>5</sup> The ROE calculation is normalized for revenue impacting items such as entries recorded in the year which relate to prior years to normalize the in-year net income. The ratepayers' share of the excess earnings are grossed up for the associated tax impact.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> An amended ESM deferral accounting order has been filed as Attachment 2 of Exhibit H-01-01 to reflect the use of actual rate base in the ESM calculation, consistent with the RRR 2.1.5.6 ROE Filing Guide

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Table 2 - 2020-2023 ESM Calculations

		2020	2021	2022	2023
Rate base <sup>A</sup>	Α	\$487,546,006	\$481,772,447	\$475,403,954	\$468,623,125
Capital Structure <sup>B</sup> :					
Long-term debt	В	56%	56%	56%	56%
Short-term debt	С	4%	4%	4%	4%
Common equity	D	40%	40%	40%	40%
Allowed Return <sup>C</sup> :					
Long-term debt	E	2.59%	2.34%	2.34%	2.34%
Short-term debt	F	2.75%	2.75%	2.75%	2.75%
Allowed ROE	G	8.52%	8.52%	8.52%	8.52%
Regulated Net Income (actual) D	Н	\$15,087,866	\$16,701,110	\$18,222,763	\$18,915,148
Achieved ROE	I = H / (A x D)	7.74%	8.67%	9.58%	10.09%
Allowed ROE	J	8.52%	8.52%	8.52%	8.52%
Over/(Under) earning (%)	K = I - J	(0.78%)	0.15%	1.063%	1.57%
OEB allowed earnings threshold <sup>E</sup>	L	1%	1%	1%	1%
Over/(Under) earning (%)	M = K - L	-0.22%	-0.85%	0.064%	0.57%
Excess Earnings Pool	N = A x D x M	-	-	\$120,863	\$1,062,609
Sharing with ratepayers	0			50%	50%
Sharing with ratepayers	P = N x O			\$60,432	\$534,990
Tax Grossed-Up Principal Amount	Q = P / (0.735 – P) x 0.658 + P			\$74,768 <sup>6</sup>	\$657,350
Total Cumulative ESM Principal Balance (as of Dec. 31, 2023)				\$732,119	

6 (95,489) transactions in 2022 +20,721 adjustment in 2023

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>A</sup> Average rate base for 2021 and 2022 as per 2022 ROE filing
<sup>B</sup> Capital structure rates from filing EB-2019-0178
<sup>C</sup> Allowed return from filing EB-2019-0178, long-term debt rate updated as per EB-2020-0226
<sup>D</sup> Regulated Net Income as per 2020 to 2023 ROE filing
<sup>E</sup> ESM sharing deadband as established in ESM Deferral Account Accounting Order in EB-2019-0178

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#### 4.0 ACCOUNTS NOT SOUGHT FOR DISPOSITION

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#### 4.1 TAX RATE AND RULE CHANGES VARIANCE ACCOUNT (ACCOUNT 1592)

As at December 31, 2023, B2M LP had a \$nil balance in this account as its tax rates

5 were in alignment with current tax legislation.

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#### 4.2 FORGONE REVENUE DEFERRAL ACCOUNT (ACCOUNT 1508)

8 As at December 31, 2023, B2M LP had a \$nil balance in this account as the 2020

9 forgone revenues and accrued interest amounts were approved to be disposed of as

part of the 2021 UTR rates proceeding (EB-2020-0251).

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#### **5.0 ACCOUNTING AND CONTROL PROCESS**

The accounts noted above will continue to be managed in a consistent manner. When

applicable, they will be updated monthly and interest applied to the monthly opening

principal balances in the accounts according to the OEB-approved rate. Balances will

be reported to the OEB as part of the quarterly reporting process, and will be consistent

with last audited financial statements. The outstanding balances at December 31, 2023

are being submitted for approval to the OEB as part of this B2M LP rate application, as

applicable.

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A certification on the account balances pursuant to the Chapter 1 Filing Requirements

has been provided at Exhibit A-01-02, Attachment 2.7

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Chapter 1 Filing Requirement for Electricity Distributors, 2022 Edition for 2023 Rate Applications, April 18, 2022

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## **CONTINUITY SCHEDULE - REGULATORY ACCOUNTS**

This attachment has been filed separately in MS Excel format.

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# TRANSMISSION ACCOUNTING ORDER – ESM DEFERRAL ACCOUNT

The "Earnings Sharing Mechanism ("ESM") Deferral Account" shall record 50% of earnings that exceed the regulatory return on equity (ROE) reflected in this Application by more than 100 basis points in any year of the five-year term through B2M LP's transmission revenue. B2M LP shall use a methodology which is like what is outlined in the annual RRR 2.1.5.6 filing. The calculation of actual ROE shall use the actual rate base for that period. The ROE calculation shall be normalized for revenue impacting items such as entries that are recorded in the year which relate to prior years to normalize the in-year net income. The portion of B2M LP owned by Hydro One is subject to tax - this cost will be included as part of the calculation of ROE.

The account will be established as Account 2435, Accrued Rate-Payer Benefit effective January 1, 2020. B2M LP shall record interest on any balance in the sub-account using the interest rates set by the OEB. Simple interest will be calculated on the opening monthly balance of the account until the balance is fully disposed.

The following outlines the proposed accounting entries for this deferral account.

USofA#	Account Description	
DR: 4395	Rate-Payer Benefit Including Interest	
CR: 2435	Accrued Rate-Payer Benefit	

Initial entry to record the over-earnings realized in any year of the five-year term.

USofA#	Account Description
DR: 4395	Rate-Payer Benefit Including Interest
CR: 2435	Accrued Rate Payer Benefit

To record interest improvement on principal balance of ESM deferral account.

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#### **COST ALLOCATION AND RATE DESIGN**

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#### 1.0 COST ALLOCATION

All assets associated with B2M LP are classified as Network assets, consistent with the cost allocation methodology approved by the OEB for B2M LP in previous OEB proceedings, most recently in EB-2019-0178. A listing of the B2M LP assets by functional category is provided below in Table 1. Accordingly, the total rates revenue requirement associated with B2M LP's transmission assets will be allocated to the Network pool.

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Table 1 - B2M LP Assets by Functional Category

Circuit	Section	From	То	Functional Category
B560V	1	Bruce A TS	Willow Creek JCT	Network
B560V	3	Willow Creek JCT	Milton SS	Network
B561M	1	Bruce B SS	Bruce JCT	Network
B561M	4	Bruce JCT	Bruce JCT	Network
B561M	2	Bruce JCT	Willow Creek JCT	Network
B561M	3	Willow Creek JCT	Milton SS	Network

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The B2M LP Network rates revenue requirement<sup>1</sup> for the purpose of setting Uniform Transmission Rates (UTRs) effective for the 2025 test year is \$36.99M, \$37.47M for 2026, \$38.58M for 2027, \$38.54M for 2028 and \$36.98M for 2029, as determined per Exhibit E-01-01.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Including the disposition of the ESM balance as part of its revenue requirement over a one-year period commencing January 1, 2025.

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#### **2.0 CHARGE DETERMINANTS**

- There are no customer delivery points supplied directly from the B2M LP assets, and as
- 3 such the B2M LP Network charge determinant for the purpose of setting UTRs is zero.

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#### **OVERVIEW OF UNIFORM TRANSMISSION RATES**

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#### 1.0 INTRODUCTION

Transmission rates in Ontario have been established on a uniform basis for all 4 transmitters in Ontario since April 30, 2002, as per the OEB's Decision in RP-2001-5 0034/RP-2001-0035/RP-2001-0036/RP-1999-0044. The current Uniform Transmission 6 Rates (UTR) Schedules, which were effective on January 1, 2024, as part of the OEB's 7 Decision and Rate Order in EB-2023-0222 issued on January 18, 2024, are filed as 8 Exhibit I-03-01, Attachment 1. Exhibit I-03-01, Attachment 2 shows the rates revenue 9 requirement and charge determinant details used to derive the currently approved 2024 10 UTRs. 11

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The total rates revenue requirement from all transmitters must be allocated to the Network, Line Connection and Transformation Connection rate pools in order to establish uniform rates by pool. The rates revenue requirement for B2M LP will be allocated to the Network rate pool, as discussed in Exhibit I-01-01. The rates revenue requirements by rate pool for the other transmitters are allocated to either the Network rate pool, or in proportion to Hydro One Transmission's rates revenue requirement across the three rate pools.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The other seven transmitters currently included in the UTRs are Hydro One Networks Inc. (Hydro One), Hydro One Networks Sault Ste. Marie LP (HOSSM), Five Nations Energy Inc. (FNEI), Canadian Niagara Power Inc. (CNPI), Wataynikaneyap Power LP (WPLP), Upper Canada Transmission 2, Inc., operating as East-West Tie Limited Partnership (EWTLP), and Niagara Reinforcement Limited Partnership (NRLP).

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Once the total rates revenue requirement by rate pool has been established, rates are

determined by applying the Provincial charge determinants for each rate pool to the total

revenue for each rate pool. The Provincial charge determinants are the sum of all charge

determinants, by rate pool, approved by the OEB for each of the transmitters

5 participating in the UTR.

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The 2025 UTR schedule is provided in Exhibit I-04-01, Attachment 1, and the rates revenue requirement and charge determinants details used to calculate the 2025 UTRs are provided in Exhibit I-04-01, Attachment 2. The 2025 UTR calculation includes the 2025 B2M LP rates revenue requirement and the currently approved values for the other

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# 2.0 BILL IMPACTS

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The impact of transmission rates on a customer's total bill varies between transmission-connected and distribution-connected customers. Table 1 shows the estimated average transmission cost as a percentage of the total bill for a transmission-connected customer.

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Table 1 - Estimated Transmission Cost as a Percentage of Total Electricity

Market Costs

Figure	Cost Component	¢/kWh	Source
А	Commodity	10.43	IESO Monthly Market Report December 2023
В	Wholesale Market Service Charges	0.48	IESO Monthly Market Report December 2023
С	Wholesale Transmission Charges	1.51	IESO Monthly Market Report December 2023
D	Total Monthly Cost for TX-Connected Customers	12.42	D=A+B+C
E	Transmission as % of Total Cost for TX-Connected Customers	12.2%	E=C/D

The B2M LP 2025 rates revenue requirement represents approximately 1.7% of the total rates revenue requirement across all transmitters, which is approximated by adjusting

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See EB-2023-0222, Decision and Order on 2024 Uniform Transmission Rates, page 4, Table 1

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- the 2024 overall approved UTR revenue requirement to include the B2M LP 2025 rates
- revenue requirement.<sup>3</sup> This percentage has been applied to B2M LP's changes in rates
- 3 revenue requirement in the calculation of the net impact on average transmission rates
- for each year in the test period, from 2025 to 2029. Figure E (12.2%) from Table 1 above
- 5 has been applied to the net impact on average transmission rates to estimate the bill
- 6 impacts on transmission-connected customers in the test period, as shown in Table 2.

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# Table 2 - Average Bill Impacts on Transmission-Connected Customers

	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Rates Revenue Requirement [1][2]	\$36,395,939	\$36,988,112	\$37,466,883	\$38,583,227	\$38,540,010	\$36,981,507
% Change in Rates Revenue Requirement over prior year		1.6%	1.3%	3.0%	-0.1%	-4.0%
% Impact of load forecast change		0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Net Impact on Average Transmission Rates [3]		0.027%	0.022%	0.050%	-0.002%	-0.068%
Transmission as a % of Tx-connected customer's Total Bill		12.2%	12.2%	12.2%	12.2%	12.2%
Estimated Average Transmission Customer Bill Impact [4]		0.003%	0.003%	0.006%	0.000%	-0.008%

<sup>[1] 2024</sup> rates revenue requirement per Decision and Rate Order, EB-2023-0129, Decision and Order, September 7, 2023.

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- The annual total bill impacts for a typical medium density residential (Hydro One-Dx R1)
- customer consuming 750 kWh monthly and a typical General Service Energy less than
- 50 kW (Hydro One-Dx GS<50kW) customer consuming 2,000 kWh monthly are
- determined based on the forecast change in the customer's Retail Transmission Service
- Rates (RTSRs) during the test period, as calculated in Table 3.

<sup>[2] 2025-2029</sup> rates revenue requirement per Exhibit E-01-01.

<sup>[3]</sup> The calculation of net impact on transmission rates accounts B2MLP's 2024 rates revenue requirement as 1.7% of the total rates revenue requirement across all transmitters (i.e. 1.7% x 1.6% = 0.027% in 2025) per Decision and Rate Order, EB-2023-0222, 2024 Uniform Transmission Rates Updater-Schedule A, January 18, 2024.

<sup>[4]</sup> The calculation of estimated average transmission customer bill impact is the net impact on average transmission rates on the transmission portion of a transmission connected customer's total bill (i.e. 0.027% x 12.2% = 0.003% in 2025).

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Exhibit I-04-01, Attachment 1

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# Table 3 - Bill Impacts for Typical Distribution-Connected Customers

	Calculation <sup>[1]</sup>	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
B2M LP's Rates Revenue Requirement (\$M)[2]	А	36.396	36.988	37.467	38.583	38.540	36.982
B2M LP's 2024 Rates Revenue Requirement as % of UTR Network Revenue Requirement <sup>[3]</sup>	В	2.650%					
Estimated Net Impact on RTSR-Network <sup>[4]</sup>	C=(A/A <sub>PY</sub> -1)*B <sub>2024</sub>		0.043%	0.034%	0.079%	-0.003%	-0.107%
Typical Medium Density	(HONI-Dx R1) Resid	lential Custom	ner Consumino	750 kWh p	er Month		
		2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
RTSR Network Charge (\$) <sup>[5],[6]</sup>	D=D <sub>PY</sub> *(1+ C)	9.523	9.527	9.530	9.537	9.537	9.527
RTSR Connection Charge (\$) <sup>[5],[7],[8]</sup>	E	7.021	7.021	7.021	7.021	7.021	7.021
Total RTSR Charge (\$)	F=D+E	16.544	16.548	16.551	16.558	16.558	16.548
Estimated Change in RTSR Network Charge (\$) <sup>[8]</sup>	G=C*D <sub>PY</sub>		0.004	0.003	0.008	(0.000)	(0.010)
Total Bill (\$) <sup>[8]</sup>	H=H <sub>PY</sub> +D	141.102	141.106	141.110	141.117	141.117	141.107
Increase as a % of Total bill	I=G/H <sub>PY</sub>		0.003%	0.002%	0.005%	0.000%	-0.007%
Typical General Service Energy les	s than 50 kW (HON	-Dx GS<50kW	) Customer Co	nsuming 2,	000 kWh pe	r Month	
		2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
RTSR Network Charge (\$) [5],[6]	J=J <sub>PY</sub> *(1+ C)	20.386	20.394	20.401	20.417	20.417	20.395
RTSR Connection Charge (\$) [5],[7],[8]	К	16.221	16.221	16.221	16.221	16.221	16.221
Total RTSR Charge (\$)	L=J+K	36.606	36.615	36.622	36.638	36.638	36.616
Estimated Change in RTSR Network Charge (\$) [8]	M=C*J <sub>PY</sub>		0.009	0.007	0.016	(0.001)	(0.022)
Total Bill (\$) [9]	N=N <sub>PY</sub> +M	441.578	441.587	441.594	441.610	441.610	441.588
Increase as a % of Total bill	O=M/N <sub>PY</sub>		0.002%	0.002%	0.004%	0.000%	-0.005%

<sup>[1]</sup> Inputs are current year (CY) unless otherwise denoted (e.g. PY refers to the value from the previous year). Calculations are for 2025-2029 values.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>[2]</sup> B2M LP's 2024 rates revenue requirement per Decision and Rate Order, EB-2023-0129, Decision and Order, September 7, 2023, and the 2025-2029 rates revenue requirement as per Exhibit E-01-01.

<sup>[3]</sup> Represents B2M LP's currently approved revenue disbursement allocator based on the approved Total 2024 UTR Network Revenue Requirement of \$1,373,508,207 as per OEB Decision and Rate Order, EB-2023-0222, 2024 Uniform Transmission Rates Update-Schedule A, January 18, 2024.

<sup>[4]</sup> The calculation of net impact on HONI-Dx's RTSR Network is B2M LP's change in rates revenue requirement relative to its share of the total 2024 UTR Network revenue requirement.

<sup>[5]</sup> HONI-Dx's currently approved RTSRs are based on the Preliminary 2024 UTRs, EB-2023-0222, September 28, 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>[6]</sup> Represents the approved 2024 RTSR Network (\$/kWh) effective January 1, 2024 per the OEB Decision and Rate Order, EB-2023-0030, December 14, 2023, multiplied by the monthly consumption (i.e. 750kWh/month HONI-Dx R1 or 2,000 kWh/month HONI-Dx GS<50kW), multiplied by the corresponding approved loss factor.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>[7]</sup> Represents the approved 2024 RTSR Connection (\$/kWh) effective January 1, 2024 approved per the OEB Decision and Rate Order, EB-2023-0030, December 14, 2023, multiplied by the monthly consumption (i.e. 750kWh/month HONI-Dx R1 or 2,000 kWh/month HONI-Dx GS<50kW), multiplied by the corresponding approved loss factor.

<sup>[8]</sup> B2M LP's rates revenue requirement is wholly allocated to the Network rate pool. As a result, B2M LP's rates revenue requirement impacts RTSR-N, and not RTSR-C.

<sup>[9]</sup> Total 2024 bill including HST, based on time-of-use commodity price effective November 1, 2023 and distribution rates effective January 1, 2024 approved per Distribution Rate Order EB-2023-0030, dated December 14, 2023, with 19.3% Ontario Energy Rebate (effective November 1, 2023), \$0.42 Smart Meter Entity Charge (effective January 1, 2023) and Distribution Rate Protection cap of \$39.49 (effective July 1, 2023 for HON-Dx R1). 2025-2029 total bills reflect the year over year estimated change in RTSR-N, and does not account for corresponding adjustments for HST and OER.

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# **CURRENT ONTARIO TRANSMISSION RATE SCHEDULES**

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The current UTR Schedules were approved as part of the Decision and Rate Order

- dated January 18, 2024 under EB-2023-0222. The approved rate schedules, and the
- 5 revenue requirement and charge determinants for all transmitters used to establish the
- 6 current UTR and revenue disbursement allocators are included in the following
- 7 attachments.

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Attachment 1: 2024 Ontario Uniform Transmission Rate Schedules

Attachment 2: 2024 Uniform Transmission Rates and Revenue Disbursement

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# SCHEDULE B 2024 UNIFORM TRANSMISSION RATE SCHEDULES DECISION AND RATE ORDER EB-2023-0222 JANUARY 18, 2024

	TRANS	MISSION RATE SCHEDULE	ES
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# TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- (A) APPLICABILITY The rate schedules contained herein pertain to the transmission service applicable to: •The provision of Provincial Transmission Service (PTS) to the Transmission Customers who are defined as the entities that withdraw electricity directly from the transmission system in the province of Ontario. •The provision of Export Transmission Service (ETS) to electricity market participants that export electricity to points outside Ontario utilizing the transmission system in the province of Ontario. The Rate Schedule ETS applies to the wholesale market participants who utilize the Export Service in accordance with the Market Rules of the Ontario Electricity Market, referred to hereafter as Market Rules. These rate schedules do not apply to the distribution services provided by any distributors in Ontario, nor to the purchase of energy, hourly uplift, ancillary services or any other charges that may be applicable in electricity markets administered by the Independent Electricity System Operator (IESO) of Ontario.
- (B) TRANSMISSION SYSTEM CODE The transmission service provided under these rate schedules is in accordance with the Transmission System Code (Code) issued by the Ontario Energy Board (OEB). The Code sets out the requirements, standards, terms and conditions of the transmitter's obligation to offer to connect to, and maintain the operation of, the transmission system. The Code also sets out the requirements, standards, terms and conditions under which a Transmission Customer may connect to, and remain connected to, the transmission system. The Code stipulates that a transmitter shall connect new customers, and continue to offer transmission services to existing customers, subject to a Connection Agreement between the customer and a transmitter.
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**EMBEDDED GENERATION** The **(G)** Transmission Customers shall ensure conformance of Registered Wholesale Meters in accordance with Chapter 6 of Market Rules, including Metering Registry obligations, with respect to metering installations for embedded generation that is located behind the metering installation that measures the net demand taken from the transmission system if (a) the required approvals for such generationare obtained after October 30, 1998; and (b) the generator unit rating is 2 MW or higher for renewable generation and 1 MW or higher for nonrenewable generation; and (c) the Transmission Delivery Point through which the generator is connected to the transmission system attracts Line or Transformation Connection Service charges. These terms and conditions also apply to the incremental capacity associated with any refurbishments approved after October 30, 1998, to a generator unit that was connected through an eligible Transmission Delivery Point on or prior to October 30, 1998 and the approved incremental capacity is 2 MW or higher for renewable generation and 1 MW or higher for non-renewable generation. The term renewable generation refers to a facility that generates electricity from the following sources: wind, solar, Biomass, Bio-oil, Bio-gas, landfill gas, or water. Accordingly, the distributors that are Transmission Customers shall ensure that connection agreements between them and the generators, load customers, and embedded distributors connected to their distribution system have provisions requiring the Transmission Customer to satisfy the requirements for Registered Wholesale Meters and Metering Registry for such embedded generation even if the subject embedded generator(s) do not participate in the IESOadministered energy markets.

(H) EMBEDDED CONNECTION POINT In accordance with Chapter 6 of the Market Rules, the IESO may permit a Metered Market Participant, as defined in the Market Rules, to register a metering installation that is located at the embedded connection point for the purpose of recording transactions in the IESO-administered markets. (The Market Rules define an embedded connection point as a point of connection between load or generation facility and distribution system). In special situations, a metering installation at the embedded connection point that is used to settle energy market charges may also be used to settle transmission service charges, if there is no metering installation at the point of connection of a

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distribution feeder to the Transmission Delivery Point. In above situations: •The Transmission Customer may utilize the metering installation at the embedded connection point, including all embedded generation and load connected to that point, to satisfy the requirements described in Section (F) above provided that the same metering installation is also used to satisfy the requirement for energy transactions in the IESO- administered market. •The Transmission Customer shall provide the Metering Registry information for the metering installation at the embedded connection point, including all embedded generation and load connected to that point, in accordance with the requirements described in Section (F) above so that the IESO can calculate the monthly transmission service charges payable by the Transmission Customer.

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# **RATE SCHEDULE: (PTS)**

# PROVINCIAL TRANSMISSION RATES

# APPLICABILITY:

The Provincial Transmission Service (PTS) is applicable to all Transmission Customers in Ontario who own facilities that are directly connected to the transmission system in Ontario and that withdraw electricity from this system.

Monthly Rate (\$ per kW)

**Network Service Rate (PTS-N):** 

5.78

 $\$  Per kW of Network Billing Demand  $^{1,2}$ 

**Line Connection Service Rate (PTS-L):** 

0.95

\$ Per kW of Line Connection Billing Demand <sup>1,3</sup>

**Transformation Connection Service Rate (PTS-T):** 

3.21

\$ Per kW of Transformation Connection Billing Demand <sup>1,3,4</sup>

The rates quoted above shall be subject to adjustments with the approval of the Ontario Energy Board.

# Notes:

- 1 The demand (MW) for the purpose of this rate schedule is measured as the energy consumed during the clock hour, on a "Per Transmission Delivery Point" basis. The billing demand supplied from the transmission system shall be adjusted for losses, as appropriate, to the Transmission Point of Settlement, which shall be the high voltage side of the transformer that steps down the voltage from above 50 kV to below 50 kV at the Transmission Delivery Point.
- 2. The Network Service Billing Demand is defined as the higher of (a) customer coincident peak demand (MW) in the hour of the month when the total hourly demand of all PTS customers is highest for the month, and (b) 85 % of the customer peak demand in any hour during the peak period 7 AM to 7 PM (local time) on weekdays, excluding the holidays as defined by IESO. The peak period hours will be between 0700 hours to 1900 hours Eastern Standard Time during winter (i.e. during standard time) and 0600 hours to 1800 hours Eastern Standard Time during summer (i.e. during daylight savings time), in conformance with the meter time standard used by the IMO settlement systems.
- 3. The Billing Demand for Line and Transformation Connection Services is defined as the Non-Coincident Peak demand (MW) in any hour of the month. The customer demand in any hour is the sum of (a) the loss-adjusted demand supplied from the transmission system plus (b) the demand that is supplied by an embedded generator unit for which the required government approvals are obtained after October 30, 1998 and which have installed capacity of 2MW or more for renewable generation and 1 MW or higher for non-renewable generation on the demand supplied by the incremental capacity associated with a refurbishment approved after October 30, 1998, to a generator unit that existed on or prior to October 30, 1998. The term renewable generation refers to a facility that generates electricity from the following sources: wind, solar, Biomass, Biooil, Bio-gas, landfill gas, or water. The demand supplied by embedded generation will not be adjusted for losses.
- 4. The Transformation Connection rate includes recovery for OEB approved Low Voltage Switchgear compensation for Toronto Hydro Electric System Limited and Hydro Ottawa Limited.

# TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE:

The attached Terms and Conditions pertaining to the Transmission Rate Schedules, the relevant provisions of the Transmission System Code, in particular the Connection Agreement as per Appendix 1 of the Transmission System Code, and the Market Rules for the Ontario Electricity Market shall apply, as contemplated therein, to services provided under this Rate Schedule.

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RATE SCHEDULE: (ETS) EXPORT TRANSMISSION SERVICE

# APPLICABILITY:

The Export Transmission Service is applicable for the use of the transmission system in Ontario to deliver electrical energy to locations external to the Province of Ontario, irrespective of whether this energy is supplied from generating sources within or outside Ontario.

**Hourly Rate** 

**Export Transmission Service Rate (ETS):** 

\$1.78 / MWh

The ETS rate shall be applied to the export transactions in the Interchange Schedule Data as per the Market Rules for Ontario's Electricity Market. The ETS rate shall be subject to adjustments with the approval of the Ontario Energy Board.

# TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE:

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# SCHEDULE A 2024 REVENUE DISBURSEMENT ALLOCATOR DECISION AND RATE ORDER EB-2023-0222 JANUARY 18, 2024

# **Uniform Transmission Rates and Revenue Disbursement Allocators**

# Effective January 1, 2024

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Transmitter		Revenue R	Requirement	
1 ransmitter	Network	Line Connection	Transformation Connection	Total
Hydro One	\$1,206,861,187	\$212,168,826	\$605,276,749	\$2,024,306,762
HOSSM	\$25,645,763	\$4,508,581	\$12,862,112	\$43,016,456
FNEI	\$4,762,380	\$837,237	\$2,388,475	\$7,988,092
CNPI	\$2,770,591	\$487,076	\$1,389,534	\$4,647,201
WPLP	\$33,585,573	-	-	\$33,585,573
EWTLP	\$54,921,609	-	-	\$54,921,609
B2MLP	\$36,395,939	-	-	\$36,395,939
NRLP	\$8,565,165	-	-	\$8,565,165
All Transmitters	\$1,373,508,207	\$218,001,720	\$621,916,870	\$2,213,426,797

T	Tota	al Annual Char	ge Determinants (M	<b>1W</b> )*
Transmitter	Network	Line Connection	Transformation Connection	
Hydro One	233,393.428	226,543.453	192,711.042	
HOSSM	3,498.236	2,734.624	635.252	
FNEI	230.410	248.860	73.040	
CNPI	522.894	549.258	549.258	
WPLP	156.151	-	-	
EWTLP	-	-	-	
B2MLP	-	-	-	
NRLP	-	-	-	
All Transmitters	237,801.119	230,076.195	193,968.592	

	<b>Uniform Rates and Revenue Allocators</b>				
Transmitter -	Network	Line Connection	Transformation Connection		
Uniform Transmission Rates (\$/kW/Month)	5.78	0.95	3.21		
Hydro One Allocation Factor	0.87866	0.97325	0.97325		
HOSSM Allocation Factor	0.01867	0.02068	0.02068		
FNEI Allocation Factor	0.00347	0.00384	0.00384		
CNPI Allocation Factor	0.00202	0.00223	0.00223		
WPLP Allocation Factor	0.02445	0.00000	0.00000		
EWTLP Allocation Factor	0.03999	0.00000	0.00000		
B2MLP Allocation Factor	0.02650	0.00000	0.00000		
NRLP Allocation Factor	0.00624	0.00000	0.00000		
Sum of Allocation Factors	1.00000	1.00000	1.00000		

<sup>\*</sup> The sum of 12 monthly charge determinants for the year.

Note 1: Hydro One Revenue Requirement and Charge Determinants per OEB Decision and Order EB-2023-0127 dated September 19, 2023.

Note 2: HOSSM Revenue Requirement and Charge Determinants per OEB Decision and Order EB-2023-0130 dated October 24, 2023.

Note 3: FNEI Revenue Requirement and Charge Determinants per OEB Revenue Requirement and Charge Determinant Order EB-2016-0231 dated

January 18, 2018.

Note 4: CNPI Revenue Requirement and Charge Determinants per OEB Decision and Order EB-2015-0354 dated January 14,2016.

Note 5: WPLP Revenue Requirement and Charge Determinants per OEB Decision and Order EB-2023-0168 dated November 30, 2023.

Note 6: EWTLP Revenue Requirement per OEB Decision and Order EB-2023-0298, Upper Canada Transmission 2, Inc. dated December 12, 2023.

Note 7: B2MLP Revenue Requirement per OEB Decision and Order EB-2023-0129 dated September 7, 2023.

Note 8: NRLP Revenue Requirement per OEB Decision and Order EB-2023-0128 dated September 7, 2023.

Note 9: The revenue requirements of HOSSM, FNEI, and CNPI are allocated to the three transmission rate pools on the same basis as is used for Hydro One. The revenue requirements of WPLP, EWTLP, BZMLP and NRLP are allocated entirely to the Network rate pool. The total revenue requirements for each of the three transmission rate pools are then divided by the total charge determinants for each rate pool to establish the UTRs to two decimal places. The IESO uses the revenue collected from the UTRs to settle on a monthly basis with all rate-regulated transmitters using the revenue allocation factors.

Note 10: The allocation factors for each transmitter other than Hydro One are calculated by dividing each transmitter's revenue requirement assigned to each transmission rate pool by the total transmitters revenue requirement for each rate pool. The allocation factors are rounded to five decimal places for each transmitter. The sum of these individual transmitter allocation factors is then deducted from 1.0 to determine the allocation factor for Hydro One.

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# PROPOSED ONTARIO TRANSMISSION RATE SCHEDULES

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3 The current 2024 UTR Schedules and the total revenue requirement and charge

- determinants for all transmitters are updated with B2M LP's 2025 revenue requirement to
- 5 establish the proposed UTR and revenue disbursement allocators which are included in
- 6 the following attachments.

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- Attachment 1: Proposed 2025 Ontario Uniform Transmission Rate Schedules
- Attachment 2: Proposed 2025 Uniform Transmission Rates and Revenue
- Disbursement Allocators

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# SCHEDULE B 2025 UNIFORM TRANSMISSION RATE SCHEDULES DECISION AND RATE ORDER EB-2024-XXXX MONTH DD, YYYY

	TRANSI	MISSION RATE SCHEDUL	ES
2025 ON	TARIO UNIFOR	RM TRANSMISSION	RATE SCHEDULES
		EB-2024-XXXX	
The ra	tes contained herei	n shall be implemented effo	ective January 1, 2025
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\$ Per kW of Network Billing Demand 1,2

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RATE SCHEDULE: (ETS) EXPORT TRANSMISSION SERVICE

# APPLICABILITY:

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**Hourly Rate** 

**Export Transmission Service Rate (ETS):** 

\$1.78 / MWh

The ETS rate shall be applied to the export transactions in the Interchange Schedule Data as per the Market Rules for Ontario's Electricity Market. The ETS rate shall be subject to adjustments with the approval of the Ontario Energy Board.

# TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICE:

The attached Terms and Conditions pertaining to the Transmission Rate Schedules, the relevant provisions of the Transmission System Code and the Market Rules for the Ontario Electricity Market shall apply, as contemplated therein, to service provided under this Rate Schedule.

EFFECTIVE DATE: January 1, 2025

BOARD ORDER: EB-2024-XXXX REPLACING BOARD ORDER: EB-2023-0222 January 18, 2024

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# SCHEDULE A 2025 REVENUE DISBURSEMENT ALLOCATOR DECISION AND RATE ORDER EB-2024-XXXX MONTH DD, YYYY

# **Uniform Transmission Rates and Revenue Disbursement Allocators**

# Effective January 1, 2025

		Revenue Requirement (\$)					
Transmitter	Network	Line Connection	Transformation Connection	Total			
Hydro One	\$1,206,861,187	\$212,168,826	\$605,276,749	\$2,024,306,762			
HOSSM	\$25,645,763	\$4,508,581	\$12,862,112	\$43,016,456			
FNEI	\$4,762,380	\$837,237	\$2,388,475	\$7,988,092			
CNPI	\$2,770,591	\$487,076	\$1,389,534	\$4,647,201			
WPLP	\$33,585,573	\$0	\$0	\$33,585,573			
EWTLP	\$54,921,609	\$0	\$0	\$54,921,609			
B2M LP	\$36,988,112	\$0	\$0	\$36,988,112			
NRLP	\$8,565,165	\$0	\$0	\$8,565,165			
All Transmitters	\$1,374,100,380	\$218,001,720	\$621,916,870	\$2,214,018,970			

	•	Total Annual Charge Determinants (MW)*			
Transmitter	Network	Line Connection	Transformation Connection		
Hydro One	233,393.428	226,543.453	192,711.042		
HOSSM	3,498.236	2,734.624	635.252		
FNEI	230.410	248.860	73.040		
CNPI	522.894	549.258	549.258		
WPLP	156.151	0.000	0.000		
EWTLP	0.000	0.000	0.000		
B2M LP	0.000	0.000	0.000		
NRLP	0.000	0.000	0.000		
All Transmitters	237,801.119	230,076.195	193,968.592		

		Uniform Rates and	Revenue Allocators	
Transmitter	Network	Line Connection	Transformation Connection	
Uniform Transmission Rates (\$/kW-Month)	5.78	0.95	3.21	
Hydro One Allocation Factor	0.87829	0.97325	0.97325	
HOSSM Allocation Factor	0.01866	0.02068	0.02068	
FNEI Allocation Factor	0.00347	0.00384	0.00384	
CNPI Allocation Factor	0.00202	0.00223	0.00223	
WPLP Allocation Factor	0.02444	0.00000	0.00000	
EWTLP Allocation Factor	0.03997	0.00000	0.00000	
B2M LP Allocation Factor	0.02692	0.00000	0.00000	
NRLP Allocation Factor	0.00623	0.00000	0.00000	
Total of Allocation Factors	1.00000	1.00000	1.00000	

<sup>\*</sup> The sum of 12 monthly charge determinants for the year.

- Note 1: Hydro One Revenue Requirement and Charge Determinants per OEB Decision and Order EB-2023-0127 dated September 19, 2023.
- Note 2: HOSSM Revenue Requirement and Charge Determinants per OEB Decision and Order EB-2023-0130 dated October 24, 2023.
- Note 3: FNEI Revenue Requirement and Charge Determinants per OEB Revenue Requirement and Charge Determinant Order EB-2016-0231 dated January 18, 2018.
- Note 4: CNPI Revenue Requirement and Charge Determinants per OEB Decision and Order EB-2015-0354 dated January 14, 2016.
- Note 5: WPLP Revenue Requirement and Charge Determinants per OEB Decision and Order EB-2023-0168 dated November 30, 2023.
- Note 6: EWTLP Revenue Requirement per OEB Decision and Order EB-2023-0298, Upper Canada Transmission 2, Inc. dated December 12, 2023
- Note 7: B2M LP 2025 Revenue Requirement per E-01-01.
- Note 8: NRLP Revenue Requirement per OEB Decision and Order EB-2023-0128 dated September 7, 2023.
- Note 9: The revenue requirements of HOSSM, FNEI, and CNPI are allocated to the three transmission rate pools on the same basis as is used for Hydro One. The revenue requirements of WPLP, EWTLP, B2MLP and NRLP are allocated entirely to the Network rate pool. The total revenue requirements for each of the three transmission rate pools are then divided by the total charge determinants for each rate pool to establish the UTRs to two decimal places. The IESO uses the revenue collected from the UTRs to settle on a monthly basis with all rate-regulated transmitters using the revenue allocation factors.
- Note 10: The allocation factors for each transmitter other than Hydro One are calculated by dividing each transmitter's revenue requirement assigned to each transmission rate pool by the total transmitters revenue requirement for each rate pool. The allocation factors are rounded to five decimal places for each transmitter. The sum of these individual transmitter allocation factors is then deducted from 1.0 to determine the allocation factor for Hydro One.