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Councillor Qadri  
101 Laurier Avenue West  
Ottawa, ON K1P 1J1

**RE: Terry Fox Municipal Transformer Station - Notice of Completion of Environmental Study Report**

Dear Councillor Qadri,

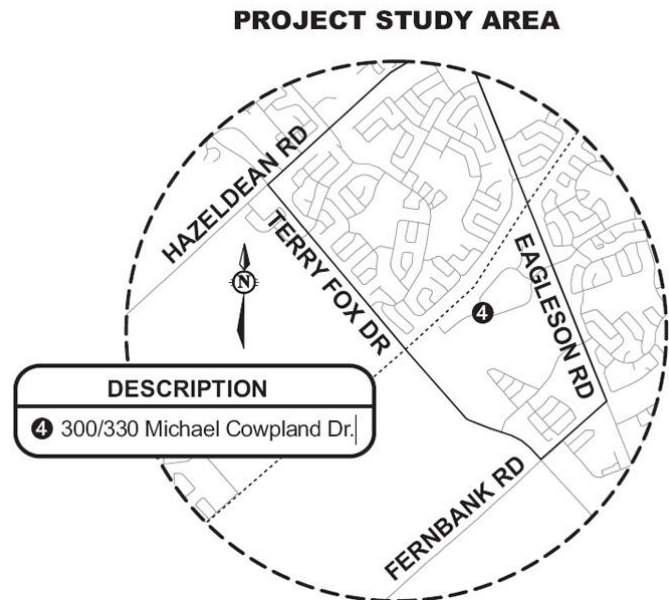
I am writing to inform you of the completion of the Environmental Study Report (ESR) pertaining to Hydro Ottawa's Class Environmental Assessment study that is occurring in a neighbouring ward.

The ESR is now complete for the Class Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed construction and operation of a new municipal transformer station in Ottawa West. This station is needed to address growing electricity demand.

Environmental, technical and economic criteria were applied to four potential station sites in the study area. Site 4, located at 300/330 Michael Cowpland Drive, was selected as the preferred site, as it has the most advantages and least disadvantages.

The station will consist of two transformers and associated equipment to step down electricity from the adjacent 230 kV transmission lines to 27.6 kV so that it can be distributed to homes and businesses. The new facilities are expected to be in service in the fall of 2012. The proposed station elements include two power transformers, a building to house high voltage switchgear and outdoor switchyard structures.

In accordance with the *Class EA for Minor Transmission Facilities*, the Draft Environmental Study Report (ESR) will be available for stakeholder review and comment for a minimum of 30 days between **Monday August 2, 2010 and Wednesday, September 1, 2010** at the following locations:





**Ottawa Public Library – Hazeldean branch**, 50 Castlefrank Road  
Tel.: 613-836-1900

**Hydro Ottawa Limited**  
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Written questions or comments on the draft ESR must be received **no later than 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday, September 1, 2010**. Please address your correspondence to:

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If there are no concerns expressed, the project will be considered acceptable and will proceed on the basis outlined in the Draft ESR.

If questions or comments on the project cannot be resolved by Hydro Ottawa during the 30 - day review period the concerned stakeholder(s) may make a written request to the Minister of Environment to “bump-up” the project to an Individual EA as outlined in Part II of the Ontario Environmental Assessment Act. Written requests must be received by the Minister at 135 St. Clair Avenue West, 12th Floor, Toronto, Ontario, M4V 1P5 no later than 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday September 1, 2010. A copy of the request must also be sent to Hydro Ottawa at the address noted above.

An executive summary of the report has been attached for your convenience. You will also find a copy of the letter that will be delivered to all residents and businesses within the proposed study area. This letter provides local residents with an update on the Class EA process, as well as invites them to review the Draft Environmental Study Report (ESR).

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 613-738-5499 extension 526 or via email at [normfraser@hydroottawa.com](mailto:normfraser@hydroottawa.com).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Norm Fraser", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Norm Fraser  
Chief Operating Officer, Hydro Ottawa Limited