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Hydro One and Alectra exceed critical work targets and replace nearly nine times the amount of equipment planned at Newton Transmission Station

Hamilton, ON – From May 7 to 12, Alectra and Hydro One collaborated to replace aging infrastructure at Newton Transmission Station to ensure a stable, safe and reliable supply of power to customers in the West-end of Hamilton. By bundling as much work as possible, Alectra and Hydro One reduced service disruption and completed upgrades to enhance power reliability in the region.

A Mobile Transformer Unit was energized at the station to keep customers connected to power and allow crews to safely complete the necessary replacements. While Hydro One originally planned to replace 30 insulators at the station that were more than 70 years old, a night crew was added to maximize the upgrades and replace a total of 265 units. This represents a modernization of approximately 60 per cent of the station's insulators.

Insulators are essential to maintaining electricity reliability and safety by stopping electricity in power lines from flowing down a pole or tower to the ground.

"We would like to thank our customers for their patience as we diverted feeders for the required work to proceed," said Chris Hudson, Senior Vice President, Network Operations at Alectra Utilities. "These major improvements will enhance power reliability for Hamilton businesses and residential customers and minimize disruption for future planned work."

"By working in tandem with Alectra, we were able to reduce service disruptions, bundle upgrades and replace aging infrastructure to enhance power reliability in Hamilton for years to come," said Andrew Spencer, Vice President, Transmission and Stations, Hydro One. "Crews worked around the clock to modernize Newton Transmission Station and replaced nearly nine times the amount of equipment planned."

These replacements were part of plans to upgrade Alectra's distribution system and Hydro One's Transmission Station, supporting increasing electricity demand in Hamilton especially as residents work and study from home.



Crews replaced aging infrastructure, including insulators seen above.

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Serving more than one million homes and businesses in Ontario's Greater Golden Horseshoe area, Alectra Utilities is now the largest municipally-owned electric utility in Canada, based on the total number of customers served. We contribute to the economic growth and vibrancy of the 17 communities we serve by investing in essential energy infrastructure, delivering a safe and reliable supply of electricity, and providing innovative energy solutions.

Our mission is to be an energy ally, helping our customers and the communities we serve to discover the possibilities of tomorrow's energy future.

Hydro One Limited (TSX: H)

Hydro One Limited, through its wholly-owned subsidiaries, is Ontario's largest electricity transmission and distribution provider with approximately 1.4 million valued customers, approximately \$30.3 billion in assets as at December 31, 2020, and annual revenues in 2020 of approximately \$7.3 billion.



Our team of approximately 8,700 skilled and dedicated employees proudly build and maintain a safe and reliable electricity system which is essential to supporting strong and successful communities. In 2020, Hydro One invested approximately \$1.9 billion in its transmission and distribution networks, and supported the economy through buying approximately \$1.7 billion of goods and services.

We are committed to the communities where we live and work through community investment, sustainability and diversity initiatives. We are designated as a Sustainable Electricity Company by the Canadian Electricity Association.

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