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Cornwall Electric Announces Sale of Fiber Optic Network to Telecom Ottawa

Cornwall Street Railway, Light and Power Company Limited (“Cornwall Electric”), a subsidiary of FortisOntario Inc., and Telecom Ottawa Holding Inc. (“Telecom Ottawa”), an affiliate of Hydro Ottawa, announced today the sale and purchase of Cornwall Electric’s fiber optic network to Telecom Ottawa. The fiber assets include approximately 70 km of fiber optic cable in the City of Cornwall used by Cornwall Electric for the purpose of monitoring and controlling its transmission and distribution system, and by a small number of government-affiliated and commercial customers for internet services and private networks.

Michael Pescod, Regional Manager of Cornwall Electric, commented that, “The fiber optic assets represent a relatively small portion of our business, and the sale allows Cornwall Electric to concentrate on its core business of providing electrical service to its customers. Through agreements with Telecom Ottawa, Cornwall Electric will continue to use the fiber optics to communicate with its substations and to control and monitor its electrical system.”

Telecom Ottawa is a broadband data utility and internet services provider based in Ottawa with operations in Eastern Ontario. The company has a large broadband infrastructure that enables the provision of bandwidth capacity for data networking, high-speed internet access, e-business applications and multimedia services. It also delivers ISP capabilities such as email, web hosting, wireless and remote internet access. Telecom Ottawa is a subsidiary of Hydro Ottawa Holding Inc.

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