

1            **Ontario Energy Board (Board Staff) INTERROGATORY #6 (Prefiled Evidence)**

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3            **Interrogatory**

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5            At page 3 of the evidence, it is stated that if the Board chooses to allow overlapping  
6            service areas, “LDCs and their customers should not be disadvantaged as a result”. Is  
7            this possible to achieve, in Network’s opinion?

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10           **Response**

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12           No, in Networks’ view the overall public interest is best served by maintaining defined  
13           service territories that do not overlap. If the Board decides to proceed with overlapping  
14           service territories, then the Board should set principles for compensation to be paid to  
15           incumbent LDCs so that they and their customers are held harmless, insofar as it is  
16           possible.

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18           Please see Networks’ Exhibits J8-10-29 and J8-10-30.

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