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Safe Communities Ottawa presents Hydro Ottawa with the Ambassador for Safety Business Award

Ottawa, Ontario – Safe Communities Ottawa presented Hydro Ottawa with the 2007 Ambassador for Safety Business Award today. This prestigious award was established by Safe Communities Canada to recognize organizations that make an exceptional contribution to improving safety in our communities. Hydro Ottawa was nominated by the local Safe Community organization in Ottawa, and then endorsed nationally by Safe Communities Canada.

At a ceremony held at Hydro Ottawa to observe The National Day of Mourning, Sandra Lawson, Chair of Safe Communities Ottawa presented the award to Hydro Ottawa in what she calls a very proud moment. "We are so proud today to present this award to Hydro Ottawa as they have been instrumental in supporting our vision to make Ottawa the safest community in which to live, learn, work and play. Hydro Ottawa's commitment to our community is clear and we are very honoured to have been part of that involvement over the last four years."

"We're honoured to receive this recognition of our efforts to promote safety in the community," said Hydro Ottawa's President and CEO, Rosemarie Leclair. "I'm particularly proud of our employees who have devoted their time and expertise to this effort, providing leadership, mentorship and training to help other companies create safer workplaces, and promoting the cause of safety in the community as a whole."

"Hydro Ottawa has demonstrated tremendous initiative in recruiting other organizations, businesses and individuals to the cause of reducing injury and promoting safety in the community," said Lawson. "They have fully adopted the Passport to Safety program for workers and supervisors. All young workers, interns, and potential contractors are required to complete their Passport to Safety prior to starting work at Hydro Ottawa,"

"Hydro Ottawa has consistently supported Safe Communities Ottawa with time, energy and resources, and promoted activities that support injury prevention and safety promotion in the community. It has been with their continued support that Safe Communities Ottawa has been able to make strides in reducing the number of injuries in our community."

About Safe Communities Ottawa

Safe Communities Ottawa is a designated member of Safe Communities Canada and is a charitable organization dedicated to making Ottawa the safest city in which to live, learn, work and play. In association with Safe Communities Canada our purpose is to eliminate injuries while promoting a culture of safety through partnerships, programs and education. SCO is proud to be one of the 48 designated 'Safe Communities' across Canada.

About Hydro Ottawa Limited

Hydro Ottawa Limited, a wholly owned subsidiary of Hydro Ottawa Holding Inc., is the second largest municipal electricity distribution company in the province. Hydro Ottawa is responsible for the safe, reliable delivery of electricity to more than 285,000 residential and business customers in the city of Ottawa and the village of Casselman. Hydro Ottawa is proud to be a founding member of powerWISE®, a program developed in partnership with the Ontario Government and



five other electricity distribution companies to promote energy conservation to consumers, reduce the overall demand for electricity and build a conservation culture meant to last for years to come.

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