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GrandBridge Energy IBEW Members Vote to Reject Offer of Settlement

Brantford and Cambridge, ON, (April 20, 2023) – GrandBridge Energy announced today that members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers (IBEW) Local 636, representing 69 GrandBridge Energy employees, voted on April 19, 2023, to reject an Offer of Settlement for a new collective agreement.

As a result of the vote, the IBEW Local 636 members will be in a legal position to strike starting at 12:01 a.m. on Sunday, April 23, 2023, and have indicated that they will be withdrawing their services at that time. The IBEW represents GrandBridge Energy employees in Operations, Metering, Field Services and the System Control Room.

GrandBridge Energy is committed to the negotiation process. The GrandBridge Energy team remains focused on delivering safe and reliable electricity to the communities we serve. During the labour disruption, our priority will be addressing emergencies and restoring power during unplanned outages.

“GrandBridge Energy is eager to continue to work together with members of the IBEW bargaining unit to reach a resolution that is acceptable to the membership and the company,” said Ian Miles, President and CEO, GrandBridge Energy. “GrandBridge Energy’s top priority is the safety of our employees and the public.”

The GrandBridge Energy and IBEW negotiations began in late 2022. The collective agreement for members of IBEW Local 636 expired on March 31, 2023. On Thursday, April 13, 2023, both parties reached an Offer of Settlement. The offer was presented by the IBEW to its membership on Wednesday, April 19, 2023, followed by a ratification vote. IBEW members voted to reject the offer. Updates will be provided as the negotiations progress.

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About GrandBridge Energy Inc.

GrandBridge Energy Inc., formed in May 2022 as the result of the merger of the former Brantford Power Inc. and Energy+ Inc., is the eighth largest municipally owned electricity distributor in Ontario. GrandBridge Energy delivers safe and reliable electricity to 109,000 customers in the City of Brantford, the City of Cambridge, the County of Brant and the Township of North Dumfries. GrandBridge Energy's service territory spans approximately 635 square kilometres. The team provides safe and reliable energy solutions that are strengthened by an unwavering commitment to service excellence.

GrandBridge Energy is guided by a vision to be a leader in energy transformation and driven by a mission to bridge communities to the energy future. Our values are the principles and beliefs that guide our operations. GrandBridge Energy’s vision, mission and values are supported by a Five-Year Strategic Plan.

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