

## East-West Tie

### Project Overview

Built by NextBridge, a partnership among NextEra Energy Transmission Canada, Enbridge, OMERS Infrastructure and Bamkushwada, the East-West Tie is an approximately 450-kilometre, 230 kV double-circuit transmission line spanning from Wawa to Thunder Bay that was placed into service in March 2022. As the first competitively bid transmission project in Ontario, the East-West Tie represents one of the largest investments in the electricity system in Northwestern Ontario in decades.



### Project Benefits

The East-West Tie provides the flexibility and capacity needed to build prosperous communities and support the growth of the mining and industrial sectors by ensuring the long-term reliability of the electricity system. During construction, the East-West Tie provided approximately \$200 million in economic benefits to the region.

### Indigenous Participation

The East-West Tie was hailed as a necessary step in building collaborative relationships with Indigenous communities by offering employment and workforce training opportunities through Supercom Industries LP, a 100% Indigenous-owned partnership responsible for hiring and procurement.

- » More than 300 Indigenous community members were trained to work on the project.
- » The Indigenous workforce equated to 51% of the total workforce on the project at its peak.

In addition, the Bamkushwada, a group comprised of the most proximate Indigenous communities, owns an equity stake in the project. The revenue generated by the East-West Tie allows the communities a long-term revenue stream to improve the lives of their members.

### About NextEra Energy Transmission

NextEra Energy Transmission Canada is a subsidiary of NextEra Energy Transmission, the leading competitive electric transmission company in North America. Over the last decade, NextEra Energy Transmission has established a proven track record of working with local communities and regulators to build and operate complex transmission project across North America. NextEra Energy Transmission and its subsidiaries operate approximately 1,700 miles of transmission lines.

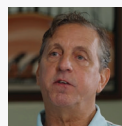
### Testimonials

“As the line was being built, NextEra Energy Transmission Canada was extremely involved and had a high level of respect for all the communities that they happened to go through. I would definitely work with them again.”



*Tara Anderson Hart, Mayor,  
Township of White River*

“We had a great relationship with NextEra Energy Transmission Canada. They respected the traditions of the Pays Plat First Nation, including all our rights and inherent rights to the attributable lands that the project was crossing.”



*John Szura, CEO,  
Pays Plat First Nation*