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TO: ALL LAND REGISTRARS
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EXAMINERS

THE LAND TITLES ACT AND
THE REGISTRY ACT

REFERENCE PLANS

Reference Plans under The Land Titles Act or The Registry Act are plans of survey to be used for descriptive purposes only. They are merely deposited and recorded in the parcel register or abstract index. For descriptive purposes, reference may be made to a deposited reference plan, in conveyance or other document. It should be noted that unlike a registered plan of subdivision the deposit of a reference plan does not necessarily supersede earlier underlying reference plans for descriptive purposes. A description may include references to several reference plans.

To illustrate the point, assume that Part 1 on Plan R-400 lays out the whole of the North half of Lot 9. A 20-foot strip running East to West across the North half of Lot 9 is later laid out as Part 1 on R-500.

An easement in favour of the Ontario Hydro is then conveyed over Part 1, Plan R-500.

An adequate description for a subsequent conveyance of the North half of Lot 9 would be *"The North half Lot 9 (Concession __, etc.) designated as Part 1, Plan R-400 (deposited, etc.) subject to an easement in favour of Ontario Hydro over Part 1, R-500"*.

If there is any doubt as to the adequacy of a description that refers to earlier reference plans, or to several reference plans, please contact the Legal Surveys Branch for advice.

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