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Mémoire du Millwright Regional Council of Ontario

In the Matter of

À l'égard de

Bruce Power Inc. – Bruce A and B Nuclear Generating Station Bruce Power Inc. - Centrale nucléaire de Bruce A et Bruce B

Request for a ten-year renewal of its Nuclear Power Reactor Operating Licence for the Bruce A and B Nuclear Generating Station Demande de renouvellement, pour une période de dix ans, de son permis d'exploitation d'un réacteur nucléaire de puissance à la centrale nucléaire de Bruce A et Bruce B

**Commission Public Hearing – Part 2** 

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As part of Local 1592 and on behalf of The Millwright Regional Council of Ontario we would like to state our full support for Bruce Power's 10-year license renewal application to the CNSC.

Initially founded in 1974 as a District Council, the Millwrights Regional Council of Ontario (MRCO) was awarded Regional status in October 1997 and is mandated to serve and represent the unionized membership of Millwrights throughout Ontario. In Local 1592 alone we represent over 500 members. Approximately 375 of those members are active working members, many of which work at the Bruce site either for Bruce Power directly, or for one the many contractors involved in the activities on site.

Our union has had a long and proud relationship with work on the Bruce site. Bruce Power now ranks among the world's largest and best run facilities in the world. That kind of reputation comes with an intense focus on safety in all aspects of the business. Our members and their families place an enormous value on that commitment to safety and look forward to many more years of work on the site to support the safe generation of clean baseload electricity to the people of Ontario.

With a multi-year, multi-billion dollar life extension effort about to begin, a 10-year operating license will provide more stability and confidence to deliver the project. This long term investment in Ontario's infrastructure will not only benefit our existing members but the many hundreds of young people who will start a new career and work through their apprenticeship on site. Construction trades are typically male dominated careers, but we are actively working to increase our membership numbers in women, visible minorities and anyone up for a challenging career into our apprenticeship program. The MCRO is also proud to be working with the Aboriginal Apprenticeship Board of Ontario (AABO). AABO is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to increasing the number of Aboriginal people in the trades in Ontario. We look forward to working with AABO and welcoming aspiring indigenous people into the Millwright apprenticeship program to pursue a rewarding career in the trade.

We know the CNSC takes their role as regulator very seriously and we are confident that even in granting a 10-year license that the day to day scrutiny and oversight will be as rigorous and in depth as it has always been. Operating and regulating a nuclear power plant is an enormous responsibility. Millwrights have been a part of the Bruce site since the beginning and are confident that a 10-year operating license is good for our members, their families, many thousands of other workers, the economy and ultimately the people of Ontario.

Sincerely

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