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À l'égard de

BWXT Nuclear Energy Canada Inc., Toronto and Peterborough Facilities **BWXT Nuclear Energy Canada Inc.,** installations de Toronto et Peterborough

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I am writing to you because of having grave concerns about a 10 year licence application for radioactive pelleting in Peterborough at the GE plant on Monaghan street by BWXT.

As has been stated by several experts, this process is not without risks. There is fallout from heavy metal particles in close proximity to a residential area and a SCHOOL. What about our drinking water and waterways?

Can you guarantee there are not going to be residues of this radioactive process? We need to learn from what this company has released in the water and soil at their Toronto plant as tests have pointed out.

Is there not enough contamination at the GE site?

We need to go to a more preventive society rather than deal with all the clean ups after the facts.

We cannot keep going with the old ways.

We need to keep our CHILDREN and all residents safe from these kinds of polluting processes.

This plant is going to increase traffic and storage of dangerous materials, in a very populated area.

Would a licence be granted to build a plant like this in this particular area at this time?

If not ,this 10 year licence should not be granted.

There are no guarantees as far as human error. We just need to look at Chernobyl and learn that we need to do things differently:

DO NOT grant a 10 year licence to a company ,with a less than stellar record ,in a very populated area, for the sake of a building that is there, an already polluted area and the promise of extra jobs, (how many?)

The accident at Chernobyl was partly caused by human error, as I understand. I *feel strongly* that this operation should be in a different area to protect all residents, our water, air AND our reputation of being a beautiful city to live and work.

I leave it to the experts and their research to explain all the details. I just trust the people with no financial ties or other interests to give us the information we need to make up our mind whether we should let this happen in this particular area. It does not seem reasonable to me..

Is our fire department ready, able and trained to respond to any emergency at BWXT?

There are many unanswered questions for now to be able to grant a 10 year license. The record of BWXT is not at all clean if we look at results of testing at their Toronto plant.

We should learn from the lessons that Port Hope residents are struggling with. A Massive clean up Bill and untold stories of health problems far greater than average I would like to see some preventive measures with regards to problems, from our politicians and leaders in the industry and from people that are supposed to protect us.

Can you guarantee us that none of the above problems are going to happen?

Are you willing to risk peoples lives and quality of life for the sake of money and jobs and a building that is already there and contamination that is already there?

In summation, a diligent protocol needs to be followed and a more sensible location needs to be explored.

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