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In the Matter of the

À l'égard de

BWXT Nuclear Energy Canada Inc., Toronto and Peterborough Facilities

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

Application for the renewal of the licence for Toronto and Peterborough facilities

Demande de renouvellement du permis pour les installations de Toronto et Peterborough

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Re Hearing Notice NO: 2020-H-01
BWXT Nuclear Energy Canada Inc
Nuclear Fuel Fabrication Facilities in Peterborough and Toronto

Dear Senior Tribunal Officer

On behalf of the Organization of Canadian Nuclear Industries (OCNI) I would like to support BWXT Nuclear Energy Canada Inc. (BWXT NEC)'s application to renew its Class IB fuel facility operating license for its Peterborough and Toronto facilities for a period of 10 years.

BWXT NEC, a division of BWXT Canada Ltd. has been a member of OCNI for 35 years. In my capacity as President and CEO of OCNI I have toured BWXT NEC's facility in Peterborough with foreign delegations and Ontario government officials more than a dozen times over the last eight years. BWXT NEC's high standards for quality and commitment to worker and public safety were clearly evident to the visiting delegations – reaffirming BWXT NEC's reputation as a world leader in nuclear fuel fabrication.

BWXT NEC makes it clear that their top priority is the safety of their employees, members of the public and the environment and continually improves their processes, quality assurance procedures and employee training to ensure the company is operating at the highest standards. BWXT NEC's environmental management system demonstrates compliance with legislation and regulatory requirements. Monitoring and testing results show that BWXT NEC's facilities have low emissions that are well-below regulatory requirements.

BWXT NEC conducted an Environmental Risk Assessment (ERA) to outline the potential environmental impacts if pellet manufacturing operations, currently performed in Toronto, were to be conducted in Peterborough. The ERA concluded that there would be no adverse environmental or health impacts to the public if BWXT NEC's pellet manufacturing operations were to be moved to its Peterborough facility.

With over 60 years of experience, BWXT NEC is a trusted supplier of CANDU fuel, reactor channel components and engineering services to customers in the nuclear industry. In addition to delivering innovation and suppling the fuel to power a clean Ontario, BWXT NEC maintains high-skilled jobs for its more than 400 employees in Arnprior, Peterborough and Toronto. BWXT NEC regularly informs and updates its local communities in Toronto and Peterborough through a dedicated website and community newsletters. BWXT NEC also volunteers and provides funding to organizations to benefit the communities where the company operates.

I therefore strongly support BWXT NEC's application to renew its Class IB fuel facility operating licenses for its Peterborough and Toronto facilities for a period of 10 years.

I would like also to make an oral presentation at CNSC Public Hearing in Peterborough on March 5 and 6.

Yours sincerely

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