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Written submission from the Kincardine & District **Chamber of Commerce**

Mémoire de la **Kincardine & District Chamber of Commerce**

Bruce Power Bruce Power

Bruce Power Mid-Term Update of Licensed Activities

Rapport de mi-parcours au sujet des activités autorisées de Bruce Power

Réunion de la Commission **Commission Meeting**

September 20 and 21, 2023

Le 20 et 21 septembre 2023





To: Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission

From: Manny Page, President, Kincardine & District Chamber of Commerce

Re: Review of Bruce Power's 10-year power reactor operating license

To whom it may concern,

I am submitting this letter to the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission in my capacity as president and spokesperson for the Kincardine & District Chamber of Commerce, as Bruce Power approaches its midpoint in its 10-year operating license.

As a lifelong member of the Municipality of Kincardine, I have seen firsthand the positive effect Bruce Power has had on our community.

Bruce Power has contributed to the economic wellbeing of this community, providing well-paying jobs and opportunities for advancement to those in the trades and other disciplines. Its employees are able to live and support business in Kincardine, allowing our local retailers to thrive. Its workforce is diverse; supportive of women and those of Indigenous background.

During the pandemic, Bruce Power was first to step up and provide much-needed PPE to local businesses, not-for-profit groups and community organizations. The Chamber worked in partnership with Bruce Power to coordinate the delivery of these items to those who needed them the most. As businesses suffered through shutdowns, Bruce Power purchased thousands of dollars of "BIA Bucks", which could then be spent locally to help businesses survive the financial impact of closing their doors.

The community also benefitted from its efforts as Bruce Power teamed up with local partners to coordinate the creation of a vaccination centre, and safe storage of the vaccine for use in local communities.

Bruce Power's commitment to bettering the quality of life in surrounding communities is well-known. It has financially contributed to local hospital foundations; ensuring residents will have the best quality of medical care. It continues to support local events, festivals, sporting organizations, food banks and the environment.

I am impressed with the openness and wealth of information that is available to the public. Updates on safety measures, drills and testing and the creation of the Visitor's Centre show its commitment to the safety of both its employees and the community and the local environment.

The points mentioned above demonstrate the positive effect Bruce Power has had on the local community. On a national, and international scale, two contributions Bruce Power has made, and continues to make, come to mind.

Bruce Power provides 30% of the power this province needs to operate. As our population grows, and the climate continues to change, it is more important than ever to have a safe, reliable source of electricity available and its goal of reaching Net Zero by 2027 shows its commitment to the environment.

Second, its production of isotopes, critical for the treatment of cancers through radiation therapy, cannot be underestimated.

In conclusion, I am pleased to acknowledge the very positive effect Bruce Power has had on this community and beyond. The Kincardine & District Chamber of Commerce will continue to partner with Bruce Power whenever the opportunity presents itself, and is grateful for its contribution to ours, and other, communities.

Sincerely,

Manny Page

President, Kincardine & District Chamber of Commerce