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Chief Taynar Simpson Alderville First Nation 11696 Line Rd 2 Roseneath, ON K0K 2X0

Re: Meeting Request from CNSC Commission Registrar

Dear Chief Simpson,

My name is Candace Salmon, and I am the Commission Registrar at the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission. I am reaching out to introduce myself as I am fairly new in this role and want to build relationships with the First Nations and Indigenous communities that participate in, or may want to participate in, Commission proceedings.

I recently copied you on correspondence sent to Chief Carr, relating specifically to the upcoming hearing in the matter of an Application for a Licence to Construct a BWRX-300 Reactor at the Darlington New Nuclear Project Site (DNNP). I understand that your Nation hasn't participated in a Commission hearing, but may want to be involved in Part 2 of the DNNP hearing. Based on this, I thought you may wish to join the other Williams Treaties First Nations (WTFN) Chiefs in a dialogue about their experience or to share any issues or concerns you may have.

I have been listening and have heard that many in the WTFN community have comments, and in some cases concerns, regarding the Commission processes for proceedings.

We have a busy Commission schedule in the coming months, and I want to discuss how to better include Alderville First Nation in the Commission's proceedings, should you wish to participate. To that end, I believe it would be valuable for us to meet in-person, so that I can hear directly from you and so that we can work together to find potential adjustments to make Commission proceedings more welcoming, meaningful to your community and culturally inclusive.

I have also reached out to Chief LaRocca and Chief Knott, and would be grateful to meet collectively or individually, as you prefer, to have this conversation. I understand CNSC staff are organizing a meeting on November 18, 2024, with the WTFN and OPG to discuss the DNNP and other projects. If there is interest, it may be possible to add our conversation about the hearing format as part of this meeting that is already scheduled. If we are unable to meet in person, we could of course arrange a virtual meeting as well.

I look forward to speaking with you and welcome any feedback you may have.

Sincerely,

Candace Salmon

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