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**Ontario Power Generation Inc.** 

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Application to extend the operation of Pickering Nuclear Generating Station Units 5 to 8 until December 31, 2026

Demande visant à prolonger l'exploitation des tranches 5 à 8 de la centrale nucléaire de Pickering jusqu'au 31 décembre 2026

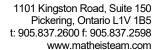
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April 23, 2024

Matheis Financial Group (MFG) offers its full support to Ontario Power Generation's (OPG) application to extend its current license with the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) to operate Pickering Nuclear's Units 5 to 8 for two more years until the end of 2026.

As our business approaches its 40th year in Pickering in 2025, we are grateful for the tremendous community support we have received over the years. We also want to support our colleagues across the Region of Durham by endorsing OPG's transparent and communicative approach with us as both business owners and residents of Pickering. We are confident that OPG has taken all necessary measures to ensure safe and reliable operations for an additional two years while maintaining the highest standards of excellence.

MFG has always been dedicated to promoting environmental sustainability, and we appreciate that OPG shares the same commitment. They put in a lot of effort to reduce their environmental impact, work closely with partners to promote, and improve biodiversity throughout Ontario, and have received recognition for their tree-planting initiatives.

As Chair of the Ajax-Pickering Board of Trade, I was fortunate enough to take a tour of the Pickering Nuclear Plant in February 2024 and I was deeply impressed by the extensive measures they take to ensure the plant operates safely and follows all regulatory requirements. It is reassuring to know that our communities are always kept safe due to their strict standards of operation.

Pickering Nuclear plays a crucial role in providing safe, low-cost electricity to the people of Ontario. We believe that OPG will continue to prioritize public safety and operate the plant to the highest safety standards. Therefore, we are pleased to offer our full support for OPG's request to operate Pickering Nuclear's Units 5 to 8 for another two years.

Regards,

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