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Written submission from the Town of Ajax

Mémoire de la ville d'Ajax

In the Matter of the

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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

**Commission Public Hearing** 

Audience publique de la Commission

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Sent via email;

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RE: CNSC Public Hearing for OPG Pickering NGS Units 5-8 authorization to operate beyond December 31, 2024.

The Town of Ajax is pleased to submit this written intervention to the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) in response to the request by Ontario Power Generation (OPG) to seek authorization to extend commercial operation of Pickering Nuclear Generating Station (NGS) Units 5-8 from December 31, 2024, to December 31, 2026.

OPG is an excellent corporate citizen both in Ajax and throughout the Region of Durham supporting hundreds of community organizations and initiatives with funding and in-kind support. The Town sincerely appreciates these efforts, which demonstrate OPG's commitment to safety, education, environmental stewardship, and the community's general well-being.

OPG has been transparent and proactively communicates with Ajax Council and residents using a variety of methods, including face-to-face interactions, presentations to Council, community newsletters, community information sessions, and operation of the Nuclear Information Centre in Pickering. Ajax staff are also a member of the OPG Community Advisory Council (CAC) at the Pickering Nuclear Generating Station and attend regular meetings to receive updates on activities at the generating station and throughout the community. The CAC provides an excellent opportunity for CAC members to ask questions and receive monthly updates on station operations; receive annual updates on site monitoring; and hear directly from experts from the station and across the nuclear industry. Ajax staff also attended a stakeholder information session on March 5, 2024, to hear more about the requested license extension.

Based on all of our interactions with OPG and the CNSC staff recommendation to support the license extension of Pickering NGS Units 5-8 to December 31, 2026, the Town of Ajax supports OPG's request. The Town looks forward to our continued partnership with OPG in all their future endeavours.

Sincerely,

**Shaun Collier** 

Mayor & CEO - Town of Ajax

CC.

Ajax Council