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# Written Submission from the Bowmanville Hospital Foundation

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## **Ontario Power Generation Inc.**

Application to renew power reactor operating licence for the Darlington Nuclear Generating Station

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Demande concernant le renouvellement du permis d'exploitation d'un réacteur de puissance pour la centrale nucléaire de Darlington

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Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission 280 Slater Street, P.O. Box 1046, Station B Ottawa, ON K1P 5S9

# Subject: Intervention Letter in Support of Ontario Power Generation's Darlington Nuclear Generating Station Licence Renewal Application

Dear Commission Members,

On behalf of the Bowmanville Hospital Foundation (BHF), I am writing to express our strong support for Ontario Power Generation's (OPG) application to renew the Power Reactor Operating Licence for the Darlington Nuclear Generating Station (DNGS). As a Foundation dedicated to advancing healthcare for Clarington and Durham Region, we recognize OPG as a vital community partner and responsible corporate citizen whose operational excellence and community investment have positively shaped our region.

BHF has proudly partnered with OPG for many years. In addition to being a safe and reliable operator, OPG is a thoughtful and dedicated community leader. Their support of local initiatives like our hospital redevelopment is not simply transactional it reflects a broader, purpose-driven vision to foster strong, healthy, and resilient communities. Through initiatives like the Power for Change Project, OPG demonstrates that investing in healthcare, education, and quality of life is as important as delivering energy to Ontario homes and businesses.

As OPG seeks a 30-year licence renewal, we believe this application is well-founded and timely. A few points that we feel strongly support this request include:

### Excellence in Operational and Safety Performance

Darlington is widely recognized as one of the top-performing nuclear stations globally, with a strong track record of reliability and an uncompromising commitment to safety. The station's recent refurbishment efforts further underscore OPG's proactive approach to maintaining excellence well into the future, particularly as Ontario prepares for the decommissioning of the Pickering station.

### Foundation for Regional Growth and Stability

Our Foundation is actively working to raise funds for the redevelopment of Bowmanville Hospital to meet the growing needs of our community. Having a stable, clean, and dependable source of energy through DNGS is foundational to our ability to deliver on that vision. Reliable power ensures not only the smooth operation of healthcare facilities but the broader economic and infrastructural growth of the region.

### **Exceptional Community Partnerships**

Ontario Power Generation's impact extends beyond clean energy, with meaningful investments in healthcare, education, and local infrastructure. As a valued partner of the Bowmanville Hospital Foundation, OPG has contributed to the redevelopment of Bowmanville Hospital helping to shape the future of care in Clarington.

OPG also supports regional workforce development through partnerships with Durham College and Ontario Tech University, providing hands-on learning and training for the next generation of nuclear professionals. This



commitment to both health and education reflects OPG's holistic approach to building a resilient and thriving community.

### Leadership in ESG and Reconciliation

OPG's commitment to environmental, social, and governance (ESG) principles, including its focus on sustainability, equity, inclusion, and Indigenous reconciliation, reflects the kind of corporate citizenship our communities value deeply. Their actions align with a broader societal shift toward long-term, responsible growth and set an example for other institutions to follow.

In closing, OPG is more than a power producer it is a catalyst for community wellness and resilience. The Bowmanville Hospital Foundation strongly supports the 30-year licence renewal for Darlington Nuclear Generating Station, and we thank the Commission for the opportunity to provide input into this important process.

Sincerely,

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