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**Written Submission from
United Way Northumberland**

**Mémoire de
United Way Northumberland**

In the matter of

À l'égard de

Cameco Corporation

Application to renew the Class IB nuclear fuel facility operating licence for the Port Hope Conversion Facility for a period of 20 years

Cameco Corporation

Demande visant à renouveler, pour une période de 20 ans, le permis d'exploitation d'une installation de combustible nucléaire de catégorie IB pour l'installation de conversion de Port Hope

Commission Public Hearing

Audience publique de la Commission

November 2026

Novembre 2026

October 5th, 2026

Tribunal Officer, Secretariat
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Re: Cameco's licence renewal application for the Port Hope Conversion Facility (Nov 3-5, 2026 Hearing)

Dear President and Commission Members:

My name is Alicia Vandine, and I am the Executive Director of United Way Northumberland, a charitable organization that works with community partners to address urgent social needs and improve the quality of life of residents throughout Northumberland County.

Cameco is an important and longstanding partner of United Way Northumberland and a responsible corporate citizen that supports many initiatives throughout our community. Through corporate contributions, employee giving, volunteer participation and community investment, Cameco and its employees help strengthen local programs, respond to emerging needs and improve the lives of people across Northumberland County. Cameco has supported our annual Day of Caring as a Partner in Caring, participated in workplace giving and helped advance initiatives addressing food insecurity and mental health. We value not only Cameco's financial support, but also the time, leadership and genuine community commitment demonstrated by its employees.

Cameco is an important employer and community partner in Northumberland County. Its Port Hope Conversion Facility is one of only four uranium conversion facilities in the western world. The facility produces materials required for the generation of reliable, low-carbon nuclear energy while contributing to the local economy and supporting Ontario's energy system and Canada's broader energy security.

We understand that Cameco has applied to the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission to renew the operating licence for the Port Hope Conversion Facility for a 20-year period. We also recognize that the facility operates within a rigorous regulatory framework and that the Commission's decision must be based upon a comprehensive assessment of safety, environmental protection, regulatory compliance and the public interest.

While United Way Northumberland does not have technical expertise in nuclear operations, our experience with Cameco as a community partner has given us confidence in the organization's commitment to responsible operations and a strong culture of safety. Cameco reports that the Port Hope Conversion Facility maintains comprehensive safety and

environmental monitoring programs, with radiation exposure and environmental emissions remaining well below applicable regulatory limits. Its most recent reports include detailed information about worker exposure, environmental monitoring, emissions and operational performance.

United Way Northumberland has also experienced Cameco's commitment to safety firsthand through our annual Day of Caring. Cameco takes a leadership role in delivering the safety talk that begins the day and helps ensure that volunteers approach every project with care, preparation and an understanding of safe work practices. This contribution reflects the importance of safety within Cameco's organizational culture and demonstrates how the company shares that commitment with its community partners.

We particularly value Cameco's commitment to transparency through the public release of its quarterly and annual compliance reports. Making this information readily available allows residents and community stakeholders to remain informed about the facility's performance and contributes to public confidence and accountability. Cameco's website currently provides access to its quarterly compliance reports, its 2025 annual compliance report and other safety and environmental information concerning the Port Hope Conversion Facility.

Open communication is an important part of maintaining public trust. Cameco has demonstrated a willingness to communicate with residents, community organizations, municipal representatives, Indigenous communities and other stakeholders. Its public information channels, community presentations, facility tours and participation in local events create opportunities for people to learn about its operations, ask questions and engage in meaningful dialogue.

From United Way Northumberland's perspective, Cameco's value to the community extends well beyond its role as a major local employer. Its financial investments, workplace generosity, employee volunteerism and community leadership help local organizations respond to food insecurity, mental health challenges and other pressing community needs. These contributions reflect a longstanding relationship with Northumberland County and a genuine commitment to the well-being of the people who live here.



Based on Cameco's demonstrated record as a responsible corporate citizen, its visible commitment to safety, its transparent reporting practices, its longstanding investment in Northumberland County and our positive experience with the company as a trusted community partner, United Way Northumberland supports the renewal of the Port Hope Conversion Facility's operating licence for the requested 20-year period, subject to the Commission's independent technical and regulatory assessment and any conditions it considers appropriate.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this intervention.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Alicia Vandine". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end.

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