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**Written Submission from
Feed the Need in Durham**

**Mémoire de
Feed the Need in Durham**

In the matter of

À l'égard de

Ontario Power Generation

Application to refurbish Pickering Nuclear
Generating Station and to renew licences
for the Pickering Nuclear Generating
Station and Waste Management Facility

Ontario Power Generation

Demande concernant la réfection de la
centrale nucléaire de Pickering et le
renouvellement de ses permis pour la
centrale et l'installation de gestion des
déchets

**Commission Public Hearing
Part 2**

**Audience publique de la Commission
Partie 2**

October 2026

Octobre 2026



August 4, 2026

Senior Tribunal Officer, Commission Registry
Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission
280 Slater St
PO Box 1046 Stn. B
Ottawa, ON, K1P 5S9

RE: Pickering Licence Renewal Application

To whom it may concern,

On behalf of Feed the Need in Durham, I am pleased to confirm our support for Ontario Power Generation's request to renew the Pickering Nuclear Generating Station's Power Reactor Operating Licence for a 10-year term, from January 1, 2027, to December 31, 2036. We understand this renewal would support the planned refurbishment of Units 5 to 8, continued operations for 30-plus years, the decommissioning of Units 1 to 4 in accordance with the CNSC-approved Detailed Decommissioning Plan, and the consolidation of Pickering Waste Facility licensed activities under the Pickering licence to streamline regulatory oversight.

OPG is an important contributor to Durham Region's economic and community strength. Its investment, employment opportunities, and local partnerships help support the stability and vitality of the region we serve.

The refurbishment of Pickering NGS would help maintain a significant source of clean, reliable energy for Ontario while delivering important benefits for residents, businesses, and the broader economy, including:

- Securing more than 2,100 MW of clean, reliable power for an additional 30-plus years.
- Powering approximately two million homes and businesses across Ontario safely and reliably.
- Supporting thousands of highly skilled jobs at OPG, among contract partners, and across the broader Canadian supply chain.

The project is also expected to contribute significantly to Ontario's economy, including an estimated \$38.2 billion increase in GDP over its lifespan and \$17 billion during the refurbishment phase.

Feed the Need in Durham has also experienced OPG's community commitment firsthand. Through initiatives such as the Power for Change Project, Build What You Can, and employee volunteer support, OPG has strengthened local organizations and expanded services available

nourishing our community



to residents experiencing food insecurity. Their support has helped FTND provide more meals, reach more people, and respond to urgent needs across Durham Region.

Based on our longstanding relationship with OPG and our experience with their community engagement, transparency, and commitment to safety, Feed the Need in Durham is pleased to support the renewal of the Pickering NGS Power Reactor Operating Licence for the proposed 10-year term.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ben Earle".

Ben Earle
President and CEO
Feed the Need in Durham