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Cameco Corporation**

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Cameco Corporation**

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

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Dear President and Commission Members:

Ontario Power Generation's application to renew the Pickering Nuclear Generating Station and Pickering Waste Management Facility licences and authorize refurbishment of Pickering Units 5 to 8

On behalf of Cameco Corporation, I am pleased to provide this letter in support of Ontario Power Generation's application for the continued operation of the Pickering Nuclear Generating Station, the Pickering Waste Management Facility and the proposed refurbishment of Units 5 to 8.

Cameco is proud to be part of Canada's nuclear sector and to support the utilities, workers and supply chain partners that help deliver reliable nuclear energy. OPG is an important customer to Cameco. Our companies have worked together for many years, including on uranium fuel supply and reactor components that contributed to the successful refurbishment of the Darlington Generating Station. Through this working relationship, we have confidence in OPG's ability to carry out its operations and refurbishment projects safely and effectively.

Extending the operating life of Units 5 to 8 would help preserve a major source of low-carbon baseload energy at a time when Ontario's demand for electricity is expected to grow. The refurbishment work is significant, but it is also familiar work for Canada's nuclear industry, drawing on the experience, skills and supply chain capacity that have been built through other successful life-extension projects.

From Cameco's perspective, the value of this project is straightforward: it would keep a substantial amount of low-carbon, reliable electricity on Ontario's grid for decades to come. That matters for affordability, reliability, emissions reduction and economic competitiveness, particularly as more sectors look to electrify their operations.

The benefits would also extend well beyond the station itself. A project of this scale supports skilled trades, engineering, manufacturing and professional services across Ontario and Canada.

We also recognize the important role of the Pickering Waste Management Facility in supporting the safe management of materials at the site. Since 1996, the facility has maintained a record of more than 30 years without a lost time accident — a result that speaks to the safety culture and discipline OPG brings to its work at Pickering.

Safety is the foundation of Canada's nuclear sector, and Cameco has strong confidence in the CNSC's rigorous, evidence-based regulatory process. OPG has operated nuclear facilities safely and reliably in Ontario for decades, and its successful execution of the Darlington refurbishment demonstrates the capability, discipline, expertise and experience required to carry out complex life-extension work safely and effectively.

For these reasons, Cameco fully supports OPG's application and respectfully encourages the Commission to approve the requested licence renewal and refurbishment authorization. Pickering has served Ontario well, and OPG's record at both Pickering and Darlington provides a strong basis for confidence that this next phase can be delivered with the same focus on safety, regulatory compliance and reliable performance.

Best regards,



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