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In the Matter of

À l'égard de

Bruce Power Inc. – Bruce A and B Nuclear Generating Station Bruce Power Inc. - Centrale nucléaire de Bruce A et Bruce B

Request for a ten-year renewal of its Nuclear Power Reactor Operating Licence for the Bruce A and B Nuclear Generating Station Demande de renouvellement, pour une période de dix ans, de son permis d'exploitation d'un réacteur nucléaire de puissance à la centrale nucléaire de Bruce A et Bruce B

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UNITED BROTHERHOOD OF CARPENTERS AND JOINERS OF AMERICA

March 1, 2018

Ms. Louise Levert Secretariat Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) 280 Slater St, P.O. Box 1046 Ottawa, Ontario K1P 5S9

Dear Ms. Levert,

The Carpenters District Council of Ontario (CDC) fully supports Bruce Power's application to the CNSC for a 10-year licence renewal.

The CDC is composed of 16 affiliated Local Unions of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America across the province. In total, we represent over 26,000 women and men working in a wide range of areas, including carpentry, drywall, resilient flooring, concrete formwork, underwater construction, welding, scaffolding, and a long list of other construction-related work.

Our Union has a long history dating back to its formation in 1881. From its inception, the Brotherhood has sought to be all-inclusive –a true Brotherhood of tradespeople regardless of race, ethnicity, gender or religion. The CDC is also very much involved in supporting community efforts including participation in the "Helmets to Hardhats" program for veterans and "Renos For Heros" to help disabled veterans modify their homes to help with mobility. We are also involved in many other community-based efforts and have helped out when major events occur, such as our response to Hurricane Katrina in the United States and the earthquake in Haiti. Locally here in Ontario, the CDC also has numerous programs to promote a career in trades and training of women and minorities. Through partnerships with our Locals, the CDC also supports programs that focus on encouraging and training indigenous people into a rewarding career in our trade. In fact, we are in the final stages of approval to build a training centre in Thunder Bay which will be dedicated to support skills development of indigenous people and prepare them for employment in our trade.

Our Brothers and Sisters have participated in more than six decades of work on the Bruce site dating back to the original construction of Douglas Point in the late 60's. We are proud to be a part of this Canadian success story which provides enormous amounts of clean reliable electricity to the people of Ontario.

A 10-year operating licence will provide more certainty and confidence for all the stakeholders involved in the Life Extension and Major Component Replacement (MCR) projects to refurbish six of the reactors on the Bruce

Site. This massive multi-billion-dollar venture will provide our members and their families many more decades of prosperity and gainful employment. One of the most important aspects that we value in our work on the Bruce site is Bruce Power's commitment to safety and the extraordinary measures they take. We have seen first-hand how that commitment extends from the people on site, to the environment and the surrounding communities which gives our members and their families a great peace of mind that you cannot put a dollar value on.

The CNSC's role is vital for that security and confidence within the community. Your scrutiny and oversight will continue to ensure that Bruce Power upholds their high standards on a day to day basis throughout the licence term.

The United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America supports Bruce Power's 10-year licence renewal application. It will benefit our members, the community and all of our outreach and training programs.

Sincerely,

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