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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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To whom it may concern,

I write to you today to express my full support for the application by Bruce Power Inc. to renew its power reactor operating licence (PROL) for the Bruce Nuclear Generating Stations A and B (located near Tiverton, ON) for a period of 10 years.

As the Member of Parliament for the federal riding of Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound, I have seen first-hand the positive impact that Bruce Power has had on the Counties of Bruce and Grey and the surrounding area. My role as an MP is to represent the best interests of my constituents. Supporting this application is certainly in the best interest of the residents of Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound.

First and foremost, Bruce Power is a substantial economic driver in the riding of Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound. The Bruce site employs 4,200 people in various full-time and permanent positions as well as roughly 1,300 temporary staff at any given time. These are well-paying jobs that provide meaningful employment to residents in the area. While these positions are technically in the riding of Huron-Bruce, a significant number of employees from the Bruce site reside in Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound. This has a tremendous impact on the economies of numerous small communities throughout the area.

Along with economic spin-off from Bruce Power employees living in the area, local businesses have also been able to reap the benefits of having such an economic driver in close proximity. In 2017, a company called ABRAFLEX established a presence in the community of Paisley. ABRAFLEX is a manufacturer of rubber suits for use at the Bruce site for radiation protection.

Due to the significant business opportunity presented by the presence of Bruce Power in the area, ABRAFLEX decided to purchase and repurpose a vacant and underutilized facility in Paisley. They have hired 21 full-time employees in Paisley and have an additional 12 workers trained and available for part-time employment. This is just one example of the many positive economic benefits that the presence of Bruce Power provides.

Furthermore, Bruce Power has been transparent and has communicated effectively with local communities about the operations of the facility. Through their Nuclear Industry Regional Advisory Committee, community leaders receive regular updates on Bruce Power's Life Extension Program and supplier extensions. This open dialogue has created a positive relationship between Bruce Power and local community leaders throughout Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound. They are informed, feel involved, and feel confident in the safe operations of the facility and Bruce Power's emergency preparedness plans.

Finally, Bruce Power is a tremendous corporate citizen. They invest heavily in local charitable work and fund a number of community events. Bruce Power invests heavily in the numerous communities throughout Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound which has resulted in a very positive attitude from the community towards Bruce Power. One significant program that has impacted a number of residents throughout Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound is the Bruce Power Scholarship Program. Just this past August one hundred post-secondary students received \$500 scholarships from Bruce Power to put towards their education. It is this type of investment that has resulted in Bruce Power becoming a staple in our local communities.

In closing, I am happy to express my full support of the application by Bruce Power Inc. to renew its power reactor operating licence (PROL) for the Bruce Nuclear Generating Stations A and B (located near Tiverton, ON) for a period of 10 years. Should you require any further information from me you may contact my office by telephone at 613-996-5191 or by e-mailing larry.miller.a2@parl.gc.ca.

Sincerely,

Larry Miller, MP

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