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Exposé oral

**Submission from the County of Bruce** 

Mémoire du Comté de Bruce

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

**Commission Public Hearing – Part 2** 

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March 1, 2018

Mr. Michael Binder President & CEO Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission 280 Slater Street Ottawa, ON K1P 5SN

Re: Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) Bruce Power 2018
Licence Renewal

Dear Mr. Binder,

I am writing to extend the Corporation of the County of Bruce's support for Bruce Power's 10 year licence renewal application and to emphasize our confidence in the safe and operational expertise of Bruce Power's ongoing operations and Life Extension Program.

As an upper-tier municipal government, home to over 64,000 residents, and the County in which Bruce Power resides - Bruce Power works closely with the County and its member municipalities on an ongoing basis.

Bruce Power and the County of Bruce have had a collaborative working relationship since the company was formed in 2001. We have worked in partnership on a number of key community initiatives, some which include: emergency preparedness, engagement on regulatory items, physician recruitment, regular and ongoing communications, and economic development.

Below is a detailed written intervention on key areas demonstrating Bruce Power's active, ongoing engagement and support in our County and our confidence in their safe, reliable operations. Corporation of the County of Bruce Paul Eagleson Warden 30 Park Street, P.O. Box 70, Walkerton, ON, NOG 2VO



## Local Economic Development

Bruce Power is a key employer in our region and its long-term energy agreement will provide a major boom to our area. The economic spinoff have already been felt throughout Ontario, with an estimated 22,000 jobs created directly and indirectly from operations and an additional 3,000 to 5,000 jobs created annually, injecting billions into Ontario's economy.

From this announcement, Bruce Power and the County of Bruce have worked together to establish a consolidated approach to economic development as it relates to the long-term energy deal to help realize more of these economic benefits locally.

In September 2016, Bruce Power and the County of Bruce launched the Nuclear Economic Development and Innovation Initiative. The Initiative is a jointly funded partnership designed to leverage economic opportunities in communities across Bruce, Grey and Huron Counties, given Bruce Power's multi-year, multi-billion dollar investment program.

The Initiative is an equal partnership funding arrangement between Bruce Power and the County of Bruce that recognizes and includes Huron County and Grey County in its delivery and engagement process.

Through the partnership we have engaged our member municipalities and economic development organizations across the region in developing a Nuclear Industry Investment Strategy and securing more investment in our region.

Since September 2016, we have expanded over 13 of Bruce Power's supply chain companies into the region; which will bring over 250 jobs to the region and create a nuclear energy cluster to help sustain our regional economy for decades to come.

As a result of Bruce Power's leadership and commitment, our communities are proactively developing land and building their capacity to support the retention and growth of businesses. We have a robust local economy to support and sustain Bruce Power as a world-leader in the nuclear industry.

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## Open and Transparent Communications

Our communication with Bruce Power continues to strengthen throughout the years. Our elected officials are provided business updates from the company on a regular basis.

In addition, through the economic development partnership, Bruce County's CAO, Kelley Coulter and Bruce Power's VP of Corporate Affairs and Environment, James Scongack, co-chair our Nuclear Industry Regional Advisory Committee - made up of local officials and economic development organizations across the Bruce, Grey, Huron region. The Committee met quarterly in 2017, receiving regular updates on activities and exploring opportunities to work together to advance common goals.

In addition to verbal updates and meetings, Bruce Power provides proactive and ongoing media releases to communicate its facility operational plans and outage and maintenance programs.

Bruce Power truly connects with the surrounding communities in open and meaningful ways and continues to be a highly respected employer in Bruce County.

## **Emergency Preparedness**

Bruce Power, along with the County of Bruce and other partners publish an annual 'Community Safety Guide' that goes out to all residents in Bruce, Grey and Huron counties. This is an important guide that reaches residents up to 50 km of Bruce Power and provides important safety messages, contact information and preparation tips on what to in an emergency situation.

Last year, members from our emergency management department participated in the five-day provincial emergency response exercise Huron Resolve. Leading up to this exercise we worked closely with Bruce Power to ensure program plans align and continue to have quarterly meetings to review emergency preparedness activities.

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## Community Investment

Bruce Power has demonstrated a responsibility and commitment to support local charities and events in Bruce County. The company donates more than \$1 million a year to support programs that focus on health and wellness, community and youth development as well as military veterans and first responders.

Bruce Power also works with its local supply chain companies to support charities and events in our communities. Bruce Power provides sponsorship packages to their supply chain with local sponsorship opportunities and encourages them to contribute to our local charities. Over this past year in particular, we have seen significant investments by Bruce Power's supply chain companies in our local communities.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit a written intervention in support of Bruce Power's 10 year licence renewal application and emphasize our confidence in the safe and operational expertise of Bruce Power's ongoing operations and Life Extension Program.

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