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In the Matter of

À l'égard de

Ontario Power Generation Inc., Pickering Nuclear Generating Station Ontario Power Generation Inc., centrale nucléaire de Pickering

Request for a ten-year renewal of its Nuclear Power Reactor Operating Licence for the Pickering 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 Pickering

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Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission 280 Slater Street Ottawa, ON K1P 5S9

Attention: Canadian Nuclear Commission Secretariat

Re: License Renewal - Pickering Nuclear Reactors

I am writing to provide input regarding the request by OPG to extend the life of the reactors operating at the Pickering Site.

My Company, Nu-Tech Precision Metals Inc. has been the sole producer of pressure tubes used in the CANDU Reactors. We have manufactured every pressure tube operating in every CANDU Reactor everywhere. As you know it is the condition of the pressure tubes that ultimately dictates the life of the reactor.

I am a Metallurgical Engineer with over 40 years of manufacturing, testing and inspection experience in reactor components. As such I have a thorough understanding of the material used in the pressure tubes operating in the Pickering reactors and knowledge of the inspection and testing regime that has been developed by OPG and their predecessor Ontario Hydro to access and ensure the fitness and integrity of pressure tubes in operation. In my opinion this program is both logical and robust.

I have also had the opportunity to work with many individuals at OPG over the past decade. In my opinion OPG has a strong safety culture and takes a very cautious approach to their decision making process.

Based on these experiences I have full confidence in OPG's request and supporting recommendation that the operating license for the Pickering reactors be renewed.

George Legate President