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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

Commission Public Hearing – Part 2

**Audience publique de la Commission –
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I have been presenting submissions as to why I think Pickering should be shut down for many years now. I am horrified to think that although the OPG in 2013 agreed to shut it down in in w018 they are now wanting to keep it owner many more years in spite of the obvious dangers and the fact that any accident will not only effect thousands of people in one of the most densely populated areas in the GTA, but also the great lakes which holds the drinking water of 40,000 people in Canada and the United States. The horror of this doesn't ever leave my mind. I have a family here of my son and three totally innocent grand daughters who haven't yet grasped the meaning of nuclear waste and it's infinite power to destroy all living things: indeed, the planet itself.

There is tremendous cost involved in this renovation and our Hydro Bills are already impossibly high. My suggestion is that we simply get out of nuclear altogether like much of the western world is doing, and take advantage of the hydro energy that our neighbour, Quebec, is more than happy to deliver to us. The structure is already in tact and we are ready to receive. The cables are there, there is an Ontario town on the border with Quebec already receiving their electricity from Quebec Hydro. They are presently delivering to New York and Massachusetts and would be happy to deliver to us. We should take it while we can, and make a deal for the next 10 or 20 years while the renewable energy sector of Ontario becomes stronger and stronger. Our grandchildren will definitely benefit from a sensible decision like this and will hopefully have lest nuclear waste they'll have to deal with in our wake.

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