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In the Matter of the

À l'égard de

**BWXT Nuclear Energy Canada Inc., Toronto and Peterborough Facilities**  **BWXT Nuclear Energy Canada Inc.,** installations de Toronto et Peterborough

Application for the renewal of the licence for Toronto and Peterborough facilities

Demande de renouvellement du permis pour les installations de Toronto et Peterborough

**Commission Public Hearing** 

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To Whom it May Concern:

I am writing to raise my serious concern about the possible, negative, environmental and human health impacts if BWXT is allowed to obtain a license to operate its pellet plant in Peterborough .

Although the literature shows a low risk of any waste contamination in our neighbourhood, the risk is not zero. I believe that the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission has an obligation to ensure the health and safety of populations living near any nuclear operations. Even if the BWXT's license is allowed and production begins the negative impact on people's mental health in this neighbourhood will be real. Many people, and students at the local Prince of Wales elementary school, will not feel safe. This may just be perceived risk, but our perceptions have a significant impact on our sense of safety and well-being. I believe that granting a license to BWXT will have an undue health impact in our neighbourhood and in the city.

I strongly encourage the Commission to seriously consider not granting BWXT an operation license.

Thank you for receiving my comments and I look forward to your decision on this important matter.

Sincerely

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