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Mémoire de Ashlynn Foster

In the Matter of the

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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

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From: Ashlynn Foster

Sent:January 23, 2020 2:50 PMTo:Interventions (CNSC/CCSN)

Subject: 1025 Lansdowne Ave. Intervention

Dear Commissioners,

My name is Ashlynn Foster, and I live at Lansdowne and Dupont, directly across the street from the uranium processing plant at 1025 Lansdowne Ave.

About two years ago I lost my best friend, Karen Eisenberg, to cancer. She moved into the same building that I live in now and died within a couple years of her move. It is and will always be unclear what caused a healthy, 30 year old woman to die of cancer, but what is perfectly clear is that Karen was never informed that she was living next to a uranium processing plant. She was unaware that she was breathing in the particles that could have potentially lead to her death each and every day as she walked her dog past the plant, grocery shopped across the street from it, and even relaxed at home. When I moved into this building, I was also not informed of this. It's not common knowledge and I would love to know why.

I'd also like to know why there isn't a single level of government fighting to move this facility out of a densely populated area, since Toronto seems to be the only city I can find online that is allowing a nuclear processing plant to be in this proximity to three schools and condensed housing. Had I known this plant was right across the street, I would absolutely not have moved into this building, or neighbourhood for that matter. So why, one might ask, do't I move away from it? Well, I guess at this point I'm not convinced that there is anywhere in this city where one would be safe from this facility. What emergency plans are in place for anyone living in the GTA in the event of a disaster at 1025 Lansdowne? How is this is a chance anyone can responsibly take?

I speak for the many people in our community who are unaware of their proximity to this building when I plead with all of you to reconsider renewing the licence for this facility. You all have the opportunity to do something good in a time where so much bad is happening in this world.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter,

Ashlynn Foster