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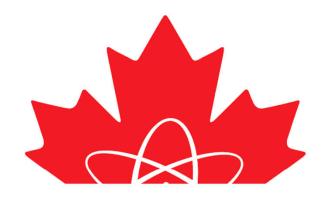
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# Canadian Nuclear Workers' Council CNWC Submission CMD 20-H2.42



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# CNWC Submission CMD 20-H2.42



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The CNWC, Unifor and IFPTE are here in support of BWXT's application to renew the Class 1B Fuel Facility Operating Licence at its Toronto and Peterborough facilities, FFOL-3620.01/2020

## Canadian Nuclear Workers' Council



Comprised of Unions that represent Workers throughout Canada's Nuclear Industry.

Spans industry: uranium mining, fuel processing, electricity generation, NPP construction and refurbishment, medical isotope production, R&D.

Collective voice of Unions across Canada's Nuclear Industry since 1993.

## Canadian Nuclear Workers' Council



The goals of our Council are:

- ensure the perspectives of Canada's Nuclear Workers are heard,
- strengthen the collective role of Nuclear Workers as partners in Canada's Nuclear Industries, and
- enhance public knowledge about the many benefits of Canada's Nuclear Industry.

More information about the CNWC can be found at

www.cnwc-cctn.ca

# **Our Priority**



For all Unions in the CNWC the H&S of Members is paramount.

The protection of Workers, the Public and the Environment are interrelated.

Our Members work, live and play in or near host communities with our families and friends.

Nothing is more important.

## **CNWC** related activities



In October 2018 the CNWC held their annual conference in Peterborough. Delegates toured the BWXT-Peterborough facilities.

The importance of workplace H&S was apparent.

In January 2020 the CNWC National Director had a tour of the BWXT-Toronto facility.

Once again the high standards were apparent.

The CNWC has intervened in previous license hearings and the CNSC's regulatory oversight report. BWXT has consistently demonstrated their ability to meet commitments.

# **BWXT's Application**



The CNWC has read BWXT's application, CMD 20-H2.1 We support their application.

The CNWC has reviewed CNSC Staff's response, CMD 20-H2.

We are in full support of their overall conclusions and recommendations.

BWXT has met all obligations throughout the term of their current license and have demonstrated their ability to protect the health and safety of people and the environment.

## **CNWC Member Unions at BWXT**



The CNWC Member Unions at BWXT NEC are:

#### **Toronto Facility**

Unifor Local 252

#### Peterborough Facility

Unifor Local 524

Unifor Local 599-O

International Federation of Professional and Technical Engineers (IFPTE) Local 164

# Unifor Local 599-O BWXT NEC Peterborough



#### **Tabitha Mocon**

President, Local 599-O Technicians, Quality Assurance and Clerical

# Unifor Local 524 BWXT NEC Peterborough



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**Carl Harrison**President, Local 252
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Unifor
Canada's largest private sector Union
315,000 Members across Canada
Founded in 2013 by the merger of the CAW and CEP

40 Members at BWXT in Toronto: Tradespeople, Operators and Quality Assurance Technicians.

92 Members at BWXT in Peterborough: Tradespeople, Clerical, Operators and Quality Assurance Technicians.

Union engagement at BWXT has been good



Joint Involvement in EH&S Committees:

- Ergonomics,
- Policy,
- Beryllium Safety,
- As Low as Reasonably Achievable (ALARA) and
- Workplace Health and Safety committees.

Unifor Members on Emergency Response Team (ERT),



Safety training including First Aid training,

Participation in audits by our customers, the CNSC and the IAEA.

The Progressive Aboriginal Relations (PAR) committee includes union and company representation.

Overall, Unifor has a good relationship with BWXT NEC.

We have a responsibility to continue holding the Company accountable.



Many of us live in this community with our families and friends. We have a personal stake in this.

Most of our members spend their entire careers at BWXT NEC and retire with over 30 years of service.

That helps demonstrate that these are good jobs.

BWXT has committed to continue operating safely. Unifor is in support of BWXT's application.

# INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF PROFESSIONAL and TECHNICAL ENGINEERS IFPTE Local 164 BWXT NEC Peterborough



Kirk Billings

Vice-President, Local 164

# IFPTE Local 164 BWXT NEC Peterborough



The IFPTE is a diverse labour union advocating on behalf of more than 80,000 women and men in professional, technical, administrative and associated occupations in the United States and Canada.

Local 164 has 16 Members working at BWXT including Drafts People and Technical Illustrators who support BWXT NEC's nuclear engineering services for customers such as OPG, Bruce Power, and New Brunswick Power.

# IFPTE Local 164 BWXT NEC Peterborough



For IFPTE Members, safety is a top priority.

BWXT makes all efforts to ensure that our members work in a safe environment.

Our membership has a seat on BWXT NEC's Workplace Safety Committee, Ergonomics Committee, Health and Safety Policy Committee, and our Members participate on the Emergency Response Team.

IFPTE has an active voice in worker health and safety as well as committees that ensure environmental and public safety.

# IFPTE Local 164 BWXT NEC Peterborough



BWXT NEC supplies our members with all required PPE, requires members to complete annual health and safety training, offers first aid training, and enforces stringent workplace procedures.

Most of our members and their families live in the Peterborough community.

IFPTE strongly supports BWXT NEC's application for renewal of its 10-year operating license.

# Benefits of Canada's Nuclear Industry



#### Benefits of Canada's Nuclear Industry:

- Safe, Reliable and Affordable base load generation for Ontario and New Brunswick,
- Sustainable electricity without the production of GHG,
- Domestic supply chain,
- R&D powering innovation and new opportunities,
- Production of life saving nuclear isotopes,
- · Jobs High quality employment,
- Economic growth,
- Responsible management of waste,
- Strong regulatory oversight.

Highly skilled workers live in or near the nuclear host communities as do their families and friends.

BWXT NEC is a vital part of Canada's nuclear industry.

## Conclusion



The BWXT Facilities in Toronto and Peterborough have been operating safely since 1965.

During the term of their current licence they have operated safely and met all commitments.

In the 2018 regulatory oversight report all SCAs were rated Satisfactory.

Unifor, IFPTE and BWXT work together to ensure high standards of workplace health and safety.

#### Conclusion



The CNWC, Unifor and IFPTE are in full support of BWXT's application.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the CNSC, CNSC Staff and all Intervenors in this public hearing. This process along with the CNSC Staff's annual regulatory oversight reports and the continuous oversight of the Commission and CNSC Staff all serve to help ensure our workplaces and communities continue to have the highest standards of safety.

Thank-you.

If any Members of the Commission have questions for us we will be pleased to respond.