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In the Matter of

À l'égard de

Request for authorization to return Pickering Nuclear Generating Station Unit 5 to service, following its current forced outage Demande concernant l'autorisation de la remise en service de la tranche 5 de la centrale nucléaire de Pickering à la fin de son arrêt prévu actuel

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Dear Mr. Leblanc and Dr. Viktorov:

<u>Pickering NGS: Request for expedited authorization to restart following the</u> <u>Pickering Unit 5 2021 fall forced outage</u>

The purpose of this letter is to request an expedited decision regarding the following pursuant to the Order issued to OPG by the CNSC Designated Officer (Reference 1) and confirmed by the Commission as documented in the Summary Record of Decision (Reference 2):

Authorization to restart Pickering Unit 5 from the current forced outage

On September 30, 2021, Pickering Unit 5 entered into a forced outage due to generator stator cooling issues. While the repair strategy and return to service plan is being determined, the unit's primary heat transport system (HTS) remains hot and pressurized. However, in the coming days, the forced outage strategy may necessitate cooldown and depressurization of the HTS. Therefore, OPG is requesting authorization to restart Unit 5 with all possible expedition.

OPG previously provided information in Reference 3 and 4 demonstrating OPG's high confidence that the concentration of Heq in Pickering Units 5, 6, 7, and 8 will not exceed the licensing limit of 120 ppm. As well, Reference 5 provided additional information identified as required by CNSC staff during the hearing, including qualitative and quantitative analysis to satisfy the conditions of the Order as documented by the Commission in Reference 2.

OPG considers itself to have unconditionally met the requirements of the Order for Pickering Units 5. Based on the information previously submitted, OPG reaffirms that Pickering Units 5 remains fit for service, within the licensing basis, and can safely return to service following the current forced outage.

An expedited review and decision by the Commission regarding restart of Pickering Unit 5 is requested by October 6th, 2021.

If you have any questions or require any clarification regarding this submission, please contact Sara Irvine, Manager Regulatory Affairs at (905) 622-0710 or by email at sara.irvine@opg.com.

Sincerely,

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