



**Written submission from
John Studzinski**

**Mémoire de
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In the Matter of the

À l'égard de

Cameco Fuel Manufacturing Inc.

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Application to Renew the Class IB Nuclear Fuel Facility Licence for Cameco Fuel Manufacturing Inc. in Port Hope, Ontario

Demande de renouvellement du permis d'exploitation de l'installation de combustible nucléaire de catégorie IB pour Cameco Fuel Manufacturing Inc. à Port Hope (Ontario)

Commission Public Hearing

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Re: Cameco Fuel Manufacturing's licence renewal application (Nov 23-24, 2022 Hearing)

Dear President and Commission Members,

My name is John Studzinski and I am a Quality Assurance Superintendent at the Cobourg Cameco Fuel Manufacturing facility. In my role, I oversee and direct the Quality Assurance and Verification teams for both fuel component and Reactor Component fabrications. This memorandum has been written in support of CFM's 20-year licence renewal request.

I've been employed at CFM for over 18 years in various support staff and supervisory positions at both the Cobourg and Port Hope facilities. Given this exposure, I've been able to work with most of the employees and what I have witnessed is the sense of pride taken to work for such a great company that values its workers. CFM's request for a 20-year licence renewal is the next step to reward the efforts of all those at CFM to demonstrate our commitment to the nuclear industry and the local community as a contributor.

With regards to the community, CFM has supported many local functions such as the local Port Hope fall fair and provides strong contributions to the United Way and supporting the Day of Caring. Additionally, CFM provides tours to both facilities for the public to raise awareness of the nuclear industry to dispel any myths regarding safety of nuclear products and to elaborate on the products manufactured which in turn inspires those that are entering post secondary education to consider a career path in this field.

Additionally, CFM has maintained an exceptional health and safety and environmental record. Those items are first and foremost in CFM's policies, and our record demonstrates that effort. CFM has empowered the workforce to perform monthly safety/environmental audits, report their findings, and assign corrective actions to address these concerns. Every person has a say in the safety of themselves and their co-workers. CFM has maintained an ISO 14001 certification since 2011 and has addressed clean up activities at the Port Hope location over the years to address any potential environmental impact. As a member of the management team that performs an annual assessment of our safety, health, environmental and quality programs, I understand the year-to-year improvements to minimize the impact to all of those.

CFM has been identified as a top supplier by our customers, including Bruce Power that supplies Ontario with 30% of the annual electricity. We have secured long term agreements with our customers which is based on trust, confidence in the product (and more so safety, diversity, and inclusion), and our strong performance. Our customers have been seeking more new items from us which is why the 20-year licence renewal should be provided as it will address their needs for additional capacity and aid in vendor selection and planning. This in turn may result in additional staffing to support these projects which is beneficial to the community.

And from a personal note, CFM has worked with our customers to manufacture Cobalt assemblies, once inserted and irradiated in a reactor, that are used as medical isotopes. My wife has been a cancer survivor for the past 4 years and I and others at CFM can say that we have supported those that have been inflicted with this disease. As an employer that contributes to a clean air energy is something to be proud about however contributing to life saving medical isotopes for others cannot be expressed when you witness the end effect of your work. Having the flexibility to plan projects with a 20-year licence will benefit all.

Shown below is my wife after striking the gong to celebrate completion of her radiation therapy.



Sincerely,

John Studzinski