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In the Matter of the

À l'égard de

**Canadian Nuclear Laboratories** 

**Laboratoires Nucléaires Canadiens** 

Application to renew its waste nuclear substance licence for the Port Hope Project

Demande concernant le renouvellement du permis de déchets de substances nucléaires pour le projet de Port Hope

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Subject: Canadian Nuclear Laboratories' application for a 10-year renewal of the Port Hope Project Waste Nuclear Substance Licence for the completion of the Port Hope Area Initiative - Reference Number: 2022-H-13.

Dear President and Commission Members,

I am writing today to provide Cameco's full support of Canadian Nuclear Laboratories' (CNL) application to renew its Port Hope Project Waste Nuclear Substance Licence for a period of 10-years.

Cameco is a global supplier of uranium processing services that produce the fuel for the generation of clean-air electricity. More than half of Ontario's electricity is generated using the fuel products produced by Cameco's Fuel Services Division, right here in Ontario. We operate a refinery in Blind River, a conversion facility in Port Hope, and a fuel manufacturing operation with facilities in Port Hope and in nearby Cobourg, Ontario.

The Port Hope Area Initiative's (PHAI) Port Hope Project is the solution to a long-standing environmental issue that not only needs to be completed for the people and businesses of Port Hope today – but it is the responsible thing to do for future generations.

At Cameco, we have initiated our own clean-up and renewal activities through our Vision in Motion (VIM) project that will address legacy waste at the Port Hope Conversion Facility that was inherited from historic operations. VIM builds on work now under way through the PHAI and is a reality because of the PHAI's construction of a Long-Term Waste Management Facility. Cameco and the PHAI have collaborated closely over the past 15+ years to manage and coordinate remediation and redevelopment of the Conversion Facility.

Through our interactions and collaboration with PHAI over the years, we have experienced first-hand PHAI's commitment and dedication to the protection of people and the environment and open communications. Cameco and the PHAI meet regularly to discuss operational updates, long-term planning, knowledge sharing, coordination of work and addressing any concerns. Our open lines of communication ensure effective collaboration and teamwork.

The PHAI also has well-established open lines of communication and engagement with Indigenous communities, stakeholders and residents. The use of newsletters, website content, email, social media, delegations to council, meetings, tours and the ability to interact one-on-one ensures information is shared widely and questions can be addressed.

We look forward to continuing to work closely with the PHAI over the years to come as we each work to complete our respective remediation projects. We remain confident that CNL has the expertise and capabilities to continue fulfilling its obligations and commitments.

Approving CNL's licence renewal will ensure the Port Hope Project can be carried out to its completion – which serves to benefit the environment and the people of Port Hope.

Thank you,

Dale Clark

Vice-President

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