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Written submission from the **Durham Region Association of REALTORS®**

Mémoire de la **Durham Region Association of REALTORS®**

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

Commission Public Hearing

Audience publique de la Commission

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Senior Tribunal Officer, Secretariat Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission 280 Slater Street P.O. Box 1046, Station B Ottawa, Ontario K1P 5S9

October 5, 2022

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

Dear Secretariat:

The Durham Region Association of REALTORS® supports the application made by Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL) for a ten (10) year renewal of the license to continue the cleanup of historic low-level radioactive waste in Port Hope, Ontario as part of the Port Hope Area Initiative (PHAI).

The Durham Region Association of REALTORS® (DRAR) represents over 1,550 REALTORS® in Durham Region, Northumberland, Peterborough and beyond who take great pride in their profession and community. DRAR aspires to share its knowledge and experience with its customers, clients and community stakeholders.

We are aware that the PHAI represents the Government of Canada's commitment to respond to the community-requested solution for the cleanup and local, long-term, safe management of approximately 1.7 million cubic metres of historic low-level radioactive waste in Port Hope and Port Granby.

DRAR has worked closely with CNL in Port Hope for the past 7 years and has witnessed the significant economic and social benefits for the community as a result of the PHAI. Through job creation, economic spin-off and municipal infrastructure upgrades including road improvements in the town, this work has added value to the community and increased valuation on properties. We are confident that once complete, this work will eliminate the current government oversight of properties in Port Hope, thus making the town marketable.

We also know that many CNL staff live in the local region, and buy or rent homes in the area, shop locally and participate in community events, thereby contributing to the economic benefits.

The PHAI has been and will continue to create job opportunities through subcontractors that require qualified people to fill a wide range of needs – including construction, engineering, landscaping and administration. We look forward to the continuation of this project as it moves towards completion.

On behalf of The Durham Region Association of REALTORS®, I submit this letter of support for the 10-year license renewal application.

Thank you for providing the opportunity to intervene in this matter,

Meredith Kennedy, President

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