



Oral presentation

Exposé oral

**Written submission from
Leah Belding**

**Mémoire de
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In the Matter of the

À l'égard de la

**New Brunswick Power Corporation,
Point Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station**

**Société d'Énergie du Nouveau-Brunswick,
centrale nucléaire de Point Lepreau**

Application for the renewal of NB Power's
licence for the Point Lepreau Nuclear
Generating Station

Demande de renouvellement du permis
d'Énergie NB pour la centrale nucléaire de
Point Lepreau

**Commission Public Hearing
Part 2**

**Audience publique de la Commission
Partie 2**

May 11 and 12, 2022

11 et 12 mai 2022

March 23, 2022

Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission

ATTENTION: Commission Registry

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Sir/Madam

Re: Point Lepreau Operating License Renewal 2022

As a Certified Shift Supervisor at the Point Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station, I am pleased to provide my support for the Station's licence renewal and to request a time for an oral submission at the May hearing in New Brunswick. My letter below outlines what I will speak on during my oral presentation.

My first work term at Point Lepreau was in 1998 after graduating High School. I was hired for a six-month term with the Service Maintenance Department. This allowed me to see various career disciplines that I would not have seen anywhere else. I was encouraged to meet / interview various other employees to better understand their backgrounds and responsibilities. The culture and the people at PLNGS certainly left a lasting impression and inspired a career with the Operations Department.

I was accepted into a two-year diploma program, studying Power Engineering Technology graduating in 2001. I was hired as a Power Plant Operator (PPO) and have continued to learn and grow since.

After finishing PPO training, I moved on to the Senior Power Plant Operator role in 2003, then to Control Room Operator (CRO) Training in 2006. I was licensed as the CRO in 2008, working through refurbishment, re-start and continuous plant operation. In 2019 I completed Shift Supervisor training and have been assigned to shift since.

Chance Harbour, NE

Obtaining and maintaining certification is a significant accomplishment. After 21 years of working at PLNGS, I am still learning every day. We take pride in the hard work and dedication our staff have to Continuous Improvement, Human Performance and the value our Station provides to the province of NB.

My immediate and many extended family members live in the local community, and I am certainly aware of how my commitment to safety and protection of the environment impacts them, my neighbors, the province, as well as the global Nuclear community. Continued safe operation of our plant provides clean energy to help combat climate change, and to support our social license promoting Nuclear as a continued choice for electrical energy.

As I continue in my new role as a Shift Supervisor, I understand the reach of my leadership and the importance of sustaining a high level of dedication and integrity. This will continue to promote high station behavioral standards.

I am entrusted with providing a critical service to the people of New Brunswick and I am confident and grateful for this opportunity. Extensive training, continued support, and the strong safety culture of our staff at the Point Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station provide for a very rewarding career.

I unreservedly support the 25 year license renewal.

Sincerely,



Leah Belding