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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

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**Subject:** Point Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station –Application for Renewal of the Power

Reactor Operating Licence

March 28, 2022

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Attention: CNSC Registrar

## Subject: Point Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station – Application for Renewal of the Power Reactor Operating Licence

Please accept this letter as my written support of the application by New Brunswick Power to renew the Power Reactor Operating Licence for the Point Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station.

I am the Member of the Legislative Assembly for Fundy-The Isles-Saint John West, New Brunswick, and have served my constituents since 2018.

The Point Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station has generated safe, reliable, baseload energy for the province of New Brunswick for almost 40 years. It is a vital asset for the province's energy security, providing more than one third of the electricity used by our industry, commercial sector and residents.

The station has been recognized for its world-class operating performance, having received the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations Excellence Award, which recognizes the highest level of safety and reliability in the operations of commercial nuclear power plant.

In addition, Point Lepreau generates low-carbon energy producing almost no emissions that contribute to greenhouse gases. This is critical to Canada's efforts to reach a net-zero carbon future and combat the effects of climate change.

The station has a positive economic impact in the province, helping to moderate energy prices, and provide highly skilled, well-paid employment for New Brunswickers along with spin-off and indirect employment and supply chain opportunities.

Over the past few years, I personally toured the station and had the privilege of meeting some of the men and women of Point Lepreau. I was impressed with their professionalism and knowledge, but mostly with their unwavering commitment to safely operating the plant. It is clear that safety is their ultimate priority including the protection of the public, employees and the environment.

In summation, I support the application to renew the operating licence for the Point Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station. With the successful refurbishment of the station's main components complete, Point Lepreau is poised to continue supporting the province with safe, reliable, low carbon electricity for decades to come.

I appreciate the rigorous regulatory system we have in Canada and comprehensive process undertaken by the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission to consider applications from licence proponents. Thank you for the opportunity to participate in this important hearing process.

Sincerely,

## Andrea Anderson-Mason

Member of the Legislative Assembly Fundy-The Isles-Saint John West