



**Written submission from  
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In the Matter of the

À l'égard de la

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

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

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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**

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Commission Secretariat  
Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission  
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Dear CNSC Secretariat:

I'm a resident and live near the Point Lepreau nuclear power plant. I know nuclear power is controversial for some. But many of those people don't live near nuclear facilities like I do. I've tried to inform myself about this issue and feel I have more at stake than a critic who lives far away from the plant. On balance, I support nuclear power and have confidence in Point Lepreau.

Over many years I have had opportunities to meet with people from the Point Lepreau plant, attend public meetings, and keep informed. I don't always attend or read every newsletter that NB Power sends to me. I often don't have to. I'm kept informed. I've found that when I want information from the Point Lepreau generating station, I get it. I get information in regular newsletters and get invitations to open houses I want NB Power to continue to be available and to use its newsletter and public meetings to inform me. In the meantime, I support their application.

Official hearings are one thing, but we're not all lawyers, politicians, or engineers. What's important to me is the plain facts—safety, waste, the competence of workers, jobs for my family and neighbours, the cost of lighting and heating our homes, and so on. There are no perfect solutions to our modern need, but I support the Point Lepreau nuclear power plant. The personnel at the plant have taken the time to inform their neighbours and so far, I'm satisfied.

No one likes surprises. I don't like it when a road is washed out and there's no detour sign. I don't like it when school is closed in a snowstorm if there isn't a clear announcement on the radio. I don't like driving into Saint John or Fredericton for an appointment that's been cancelled. That's why I appreciate Point Lepreau's efforts to let me know when there's going to be an outage, maintenance, or if they have to transport a large piece of equipment that may delay normal traffic. I think this means they are professional and care. So, I'm supporting their application.

Being part of the community means supporting each other. If a neighbour's out of wood, they get some from next door. If the car breaks down, we give each other rides. So when COVID happened I appreciated NB Power's efforts to help. I saw their signs in stores, and their donation of masks. I also heard they had good support for their workers. I don't mind living next door to decent neighbours and NB Power is one. I support their application to keep operating their plant at Point Lepreau.

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