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**Written Submission from
Bird Construction Inc.**

**Mémoire de
Bird Construction Inc.**

In the matter of the

À l'égard d'

Ontario Power Generation Inc.

Application to renew power reactor
operating licence for the Darlington
Nuclear Generating Station

Ontario Power Generation Inc.

Demande concernant le renouvellement
du permis d'exploitation d'un réacteur de
puissance pour la centrale nucléaire de
Darlington

**Commission Public Hearing
Part-2**

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As a representative of Bird Construction, I am expressing my support for the renewal of the Darlington NGS Power Reactor Operating License for a 30-year term. Bird has worked with Ontario Power Generation (OPG) directly for nearly a decade and has built strong and trusting relationship to support the safe and sustainable execution of its construction work program.

I have seen firsthand the dedication to designing and building energy infrastructure in a manner that promotes safe and high-quality execution and engages diverse perspectives, including local and Indigenous communities. OPG has encouraged us to approach our projects with them in a way that promotes Diversity, Equity and Inclusion of workers and throughout our supply chain, resulting in strategic partnerships that ultimately benefit Ontarians through the improvement of sustainable, reliable power options.

Bird has worked with OPG on nuclear projects, including the recently completed demineralized water treatment plant and Storage Building 3 at the Darlington site. We have also contributed to hydroelectric initiatives that include maintenance as well as full scale design-build refurbishments. Our team has learned from OPG and its counterparts in the industry about Human Organizational Performance and High Energy Control Assessments that have been incorporated into our Health, Safety and Environment programs to improve our overall performance and execution.

Like OPG, we are committed to finding opportunities to build capacity and interest in skilled trades through support of programs like Canadian Welding Bureau Foundation's Mind Over Metal camps. Nuclear construction, under the guidance of organizations like OPG, offer fulfilling and meaningful careers for skilled trades workers and other professionals, and Bird is proud to contribute to the success of the industry.

The collaboration that we have achieved has promoted a culture of transparency and trust, which is integral to the industry's collective success to support Canada's energy transition and achieve Net Zero by 2050. OPG has actively encouraged us to elevate our Health, Safety and Environmental Program and Nuclear Quality Management systems to ensure that the construction industry has the capacity and systems to support energy infrastructure growth for a more sustainable future.

Your sincerely,
Bird Construction Inc.

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