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**Mid-term update from BWXT Nuclear
Energy Canada Inc. on licensed activities
at its Toronto and Peterborough facilities**

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From: stephanie benn
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To: Interventions / Interventions (CNSC/CCSN)
Subject: Citizen's response to proposed BWXT uranium pellets

EXTERNAL EMAIL – USE CAUTION / COURRIEL EXTERNE – FAITES PREUVE DE PRUDENCE

April 1, 2026

I am writing this letter to express my concern over a pending request to the CNSC commission by BWXT-Peterborough relating to their intention to make uranium pellets at the facility in Peterborough.

As a long-time resident of Peterborough I feel angry that once again, our community is being asked to accept dangerous and toxic industry, as though the only jobs on offer to our city workers, must include the sacrifice of their own well-being and that of an entire community while accepting the one-sided and dubious word of the industry and government that they have our best interests in mind.

The very idea that a potentially dangerous process like the one used to make uranium pellets will literally be on the doorstep of Prince of Wales elementary school only increases my alarm that the people making decisions are wearing blinders. The health and safety concerns have, as you must know by now, been well documented and compiled by the Canadian Environmental Law Association so I will not go over them in this intervention letter.

Recently, I had the good fortune to watch the documentary *Town of*

Widows - an apt title for a documentary about GE and the struggle of former employees and their families to be compensated for the health risks and costs of working in that industry. While those families have been devastated, GE has been allowed to set up similar industry in other locations, while various levels of our government and WSIB in particular, have demonstrated a lack of concern for the well-being of these workers. They have fought for justice for over 25 years!

Please tell me how this industry is going to behave any differently to protect their workers and the greater community. How will our government and industry alike guarantee that no harm will come to workers or the surrounding community from this industry and the various and dangerous substances involved in the manufacturing of uranium pellets.

Various levels of government continue to imagine that our water, our land and the air we breathe have an unlimited capacity for the disposal of poisons. This backward thinking has got to stop. Peterborough is standing up and saying NO. We are saying that our families matter, that our children and neighbours matter, and that the health of our community matters.

Please take a moment and think about your own children and about your own neighborhoods. Moreover, take a moment to consider who your experts are and whose interests they represent. Please consider this, and the many other requests to deny permission to BWXT. You are our elected officials and the folks given agency to protect and serve us.

Yours very sincerely,

Stephanie Benn