Written submission from ABRAFLEX 2004 Ltd.

In the Matter of

Bruce Power Inc. – Bruce A and B Nuclear Generating Station

Request for a ten-year renewal of its Nuclear Power Reactor Operating Licence for the Bruce A and B Nuclear Generating Station

Commission Public Hearing – Part 2

May 28-31, 2018

Mémoire de ABRAFLEX 2004 Ltd.

À l’égard de

Bruce Power Inc. - Centrale nucléaire de Bruce A et Bruce B

Demande de renouvellement, pour une période de dix ans, de son permis d’exploitation d’un réacteur nucléaire de puissance à la centrale nucléaire de Bruce A et Bruce B

Audience publique de la Commission – Partie 2

28-31 mai 2018
Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission  
c/o Louise Levert, Secretariat  
280 Slater St., Box 1046  
Ottawa, ON  
K1P 5S9  

Dear Members of the Commission:

I am writing this letter to offer my support to Bruce Power’s 10-year Licence Renewal application, which is currently before the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission. ABRAFLEX 2004 LTD also wishes to present orally at part two of the hearing May 30-31 in Kincardine.

ABRAFLEX 2004 Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of ABS Group of Companies, has purchased a 12,000 square foot manufacturing facility on 44 acres of land in the community of Paisley, located in the Municipality of Arran-Elderslie, to support Bruce Power and Ontario’s nuclear industry. ABRAFLEX, a Certified Aboriginal Business (CAB) has recently become a manufacturer for Bruce Power to produce Mark IIIB plastic suits for use in radiation protection. The plastic suits are used for personnel safety for work completed during outages in all units in both Bruce A and Bruce B.

One of the most important aspects that we value in our work with Bruce Power is their commitment to safety and the extraordinary measures they take making sure Bruce Power employees, contractors and residents are always safe in any situation. ABRAFLEX is a Certified Aboriginal Business. Elders and Chiefs by means of this certification endorse us and our partners to be safety orientated and Stewards of the Environment.

ABRAFLEX has 21 full-time employees and 12 additional workers trained and available for part-time employment. The part-time resources and availability of labour supply in the community will enable ABRAFLEX to increase production quickly as customer requirements increase and additional contracts are secured. In the current facility, ABRAFLEX can employ up to 200 people and many more. These jobs are sustainable if Bruce Power continues operations uninterrupted.

With respect to economic development, Bruce Power’s Life Extension Project and Major Component Replacement work will greatly impact the local town and surrounding area as well as local businesses. Because economic development in the area is greatly impacted by Bruce Power our local town, businesses and indigenous communities need long term commitment for security. ABRAFLEX and other businesses and indigenous communities can make their own long-term commitments to workers and Supply Chain.

For ABRAFLEX and other local and indigenous businesses to create employment and sustainability, long term commitments will be attained with Bruce Power being granted a ten-year operating license.
Anticipating a ten-year operating license renewal is what has allowed ABRAFLEX to create a ten-year alliance and partnership with Bruce Power.

We appreciate the robustness and transparency of the CNSC re-licensing process and value the opportunity the public has to submit feedback and comment.

Again, ABRAFLEX 2004 LTD supports Bruce Power’s ten-year operating license renewal and by way of approving the application the CNSC is safely supporting local and indigenous communities and businesses.

Regards,

John Bradley
President-CEO-ABS group of companies. (ABRAFLEX 2004)