Written submission from the Grey-Bruce Labour Council

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 du Grey-Bruce Labour Council

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

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GREY-BRUCE LABOUR COUNCIL  
Representing the Needs of Working People Since 1956  
(Chartered to the Canadian Labour Congress in 1956)

SUBMISSION TO THE  
CANADIAN NUCLEAR SAFETY COMMISSION

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Bruce Power - Application to renew its Nuclear Power Reactor Operating Licence for the Bruce Nuclear Generating Stations A and B - Ref. 2018-H-02

Accompanying this letter of support is a slide deck.

The Grey Bruce Labour Council (GBLC) is a chartered body to the Canadian Labour Congress, a member of the Ontario Federation of Labour Executive Council and an affiliate of the Canadian Nuclear Workers’ Council.

The GBLC is a council of Unions in the Counties of Grey and Bruce in the Province of Ontario. A number of these unions/union locals, federations, societies, lodges, associations, etc. operate in the vicinity and on the Bruce site. The GBLC is celebrating its sixty second anniversary in 2018 and is the voice of working people and Labour in the Grey-Bruce region.

The GBLC is an inclusive organization and in addition to affiliated unions, the GBLC welcomes community groups and union retiree chapters. The GBLC is also pleased to participate with our First Nations Partners. Before each activity the GBLC pays tribute to our First Nations Partners by having the following presented “The Grey Bruce Labour Council acknowledges that we are meeting on aboriginal land that has been inhabited by Indigenous people from the beginning. As settlers, we are grateful for the opportunity to meet here and we thank all of the generations of people who have taken care of this land for thousands of years, so that we may meet here in a good way. In particular, we acknowledge the Haudenosaunee, Ojibway, Anishinabek and Chippewa of Nawash Unceded First Nation, the
territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties. We seek to live in respect, peace and right relations with them as we live and work upon their traditional territory.”

Community involvement is a cornerstone of the GBLC. GBLC members/delegates hold seats on local volunteer boards. In addition, delegates to the GBLC speak at schools about student and worker rights and health and safety. The GBLC participates in fund raisers for Women’s Shelters in Kincardine, Owen Sound and in our local First Nations communities and provides “in kind” and/or financial support to community events.

Bruce Power and its predecessors on the Bruce Site have had and maintain an excellent relationship with the Grey Bruce Labour Council.

Bruce Power’s support of those in need in the community takes on several forms. Financial support, support for volunteers and “in kind” support are examples. The manifestation of the Bruce Power Social Responsibility value though such efforts aids the Grey Bruce Labour Council in their support of Bruce Power and the Bruce Power re-licensing application. Demonstrating their Safety-First value, Bruce Power has helped the GBLC get the message of health and safety out to secondary school students.

The indications of corporate and community responsibility noted is more than adequate for the Grey Bruce Labour Council to whole heartedly endorse the ten (10) year license renewal application of Bruce Power.

However, that would only be part of the story.

The Bruce Power relationship with the GBLC is not only built on the foregoing, but in sustaining such a relationship the GBLC must be able to have a firm and unshakable belief that Bruce Power has the interest of safety ahead of everything else. With more than fifty years of safe reactor operation on the Bruce site, of which seventeen years are exclusively that of Bruce Power, the GBLC is firmly convinced that Bruce Power has the safety of the site, the workers at the site, the community and the environment foremost in all aspects from operation, maintenance, emergency response, waste handling and modifications, up to and including all aspects of life extension and Major Component Replacement (MCR). The GBLC is fully supportive of the ten-year license renewal and more than convinced that Bruce Power is equipped to refurbish the nuclear units and operate the nuclear units and sustain all aspects of safe and efficient operation for the next 40-50 years.
Bruce Power takes the time to communicate with the community, the GBLC and stakeholders too numerous to mention by name. In their communications they seek positive and negative feedback so that they may continuously improve as a safe, reliable, and economical source of GHG free electricity for the Province of Ontario and beyond.

The GBLC is well informed of the robustness of the CNSC regulatory process. The GBLC fully supports the vigor of the process and supports the diligence of the commission, the commission staff and the detailed information provided to the CNSC by Bruce Power to support the 10-year license renewal application.

The GBLC recognizes Bruce Power as a source of safe and reliable green house gas free energy, a powerful economic driver locally and across Ontario, a leader in local economic development due to the local storefront campaign for MCR suppliers, an inclusive corporate citizen and a partner in the community that ensures the community is well informed and able to participate in all applicable aspects of Bruce Power.

The Grey Bruce Labour Council is proud of the work we do in our region and we are proud to be a supporter of Bruce Power and the 10-year license renewal application.

Supported by the Grey Bruce Labour Council and so noted in the minutes of the regular meeting of the GBLC on February 26th, 2018

Kevin Smith, President, Grey Bruce Labour Council
Dave Trumble, VP, Grey Bruce Labour Council
On Behalf of the Grey Bruce Labour Council and
GREY BRUCE LABOUR COUNCIL (GBLC)

Bruce Power Re-Licensing Application
May, 2018
Grey Bruce Labour Council Executive, 2018 -2020
Leading the Grey Bruce Labour Council Presentation to the CNSC

- Grey Bruce Labour Council President, Kevin Smith
- Grey Bruce Labour Council VP for Bruce County, Dave Trumble
Grey Bruce Labour Council

- Celebrating 62\textsuperscript{nd} Anniversary in 2018
- Made up of public and private sector unions and social justice partners. GBLC is an inclusive organization and works to be welcoming to all socially conscious components of our community and region
- OSSTF, OECTA, CUPE, PWU, IFPTE (Society of Energy Professionals), ETFO, OPSEU, IBEW, UFCW, ONA, Unifor, IAM, USW and others
- Affiliated to the Canadian Nuclear Workers’ Council (CNWC)
- GBLC has appointed members to the Four County Labour Market Planning Board and the Bruce Grey United Way. The GBLC also co-chairs the annual Labour Day parade where donations and proceeds are made to local foodbanks
- GBLC participates in activities and fund raisers supporting shelters for women and children in Kincardine, Owen Sound and within our local First Nations communities
Grey Bruce Labour Council and Bruce Power

- Grey Bruce Labour Council has been a positive intervenor at hearings and/or voice of support for license applications / license renewal applications for the Bruce Site/Bruce Power and its predecessors for over two decades
- GBLC Chairs/MC’s the annual Bruce Power Day of Mourning Ceremony where community, union and corporate partners participate
- GBLC honours local H&S Activists and Social Activists each Fall and Bruce Power is a full participant. As part of the day, Bruce Power, invites the dignitaries to tour the site. The dignitaries have been Provincial President of OPSEU, President of the OFL and in 2018, the President of ONA will be attending.
Bruce Power Celebrates Health and Safety with Grey Bruce Labour Council, 2017
Bruce Power Hosts Day of Mourning, Grey Bruce Labour Chairing the Event
Grey Bruce Labour Council Support for Bruce Power

- The Grey Bruce Labour Council is a partner and supporter of the public petition in support of Bruce Power and Bruce Power’s 10 year license renewal application
- The Grey Bruce Labour Council is in full support of the proposed 10 year license renewal application for Bruce Power
- The Grey Bruce Labour Council is the host Labour Council for the Bruce Site and recognizes Bruce Power as an excellent corporate citizen with Social Responsibility and Safety First as two of its core values
- The Grey Bruce Labour Council is a recipient of regular updates on Bruce Power as the Council has had delegates from the unions at Bruce Power for many years. Additionally, Bruce Power makes themselves available to answer any questions the GBLC may have
Canadian Nuclear Workers’ Council (CNWC)

- The GBLC is also affiliated to the Canadian Nuclear Workers’ Council
- In the context of the CNWC, the GBLC has been an affiliate of the CNWC for many years and recognizes the advice of the CNWC as excellent and informed advice that the Labour Council is readily able to support and agree with
- The GBLC is a Council of Unions in the Grey and Bruce County region. A number of these unions/union locals are in the vicinity of the Bruce Power site and on the site. This Council has been the voice of Labour in the Grey-Bruce area since 1956. Also often present at the labour council table are community groups, and retiree chapters
- All those at the Labour Council table have reviewed the Labour Council slides and the letter of support provided as a positive written submission to the CNSC
Lexicon of Union Names

- OSSTF, OECTA, CUPE, PWU, IFPTE, ETFO, OPSEU, IBEW, UFCW, ONA, Unifor, IAM, USW and others
- OSSTF, Ontario Secondary School Teacher’s Federation
- OECTA, Ontario English Catholic Teacher’s Association
- CUPE, Canadian Union of Public Employees
- PWU, Power Workers’ Union
- IFPTE, Society of Energy Professionals
- ETFO, Elementary Teacher’s Federation of Ontario
- OPSEU, Ontario Public Service Employees Union
- IBEW, Int’l Brotherhood of Electrical Workers
Lexicon of Union Names, Con’t

- UFCW, United Food and Commercial Workers’ Union
- Unifor
- IAM, International Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers
- USW, United Steel Workers
Questions

- The Grey Bruce Labour Council welcomes any questions that the Commission/Commission Staff may wish to direct to us regarding the slides and/or the accompanying letter.