Written submission from the Bluewater District School Board

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 Bluewater District School Board

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
February 6, 2018

Louise Levert, Secretariat
Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission
280 Slater Street, Box 1046
Ottawa, Ontario K1P 5S9

Dear Commission Members:

On behalf of Bluewater District School Board, please accept this letter as our expression of support for Bruce Power’s application to the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission for a 10-year operating license renewal.

Approval of the aforementioned application will allow Bruce Power to move forward with its much anticipated Life-Extension Program, which is poised to generate a wealth of economic spin-offs benefiting the Bruce and Grey County communities that are within our board’s jurisdiction.

Bruce Power continues to demonstrate strong leadership and commitment as an invaluable partner in the education of Bluewater District School Board students, by delivering innovative programs and career related opportunities that align with our board’s vision of “Preparing Our Students Today for the World of Tomorrow”. Some of the countless examples of Bruce Power’s contributions to local public education include numerous sponsorships of school programs and student focused events, annual scholarships and cooperative education opportunities for secondary students, support for our board’s unique outdoor education facility, and ongoing collaboration with our staff on various board safety initiatives, such as emergency planning and the recent addition of guidelines for the administration of potassium iodide.

We also applaud Bruce Power for its extensive efforts in the area of community outreach, and for fostering public trust and engagement with stakeholders, partners, and local residents during this historical 13 billion dollar investment in its nuclear energy site. Recently, our board was pleased to join several community partners as an active member on the Welcome Communities Action Team, which aims to promote our area and provide resources to new families relocating to Bruce, Grey and Huron Counties as part of the Life-Extension Program. This collaborative venture, of which Bruce Power plays a leading role, has already resulted in the launch of a new website with information on our local education system, and a full colour Bluewater District School Board brochure generously created by Bruce Power marketing staff.

The learning and career related opportunities that await current and future generations of Bluewater District School Board students through Bruce Power’s Life-Extension Program are immeasurable. We look forward to our continued partnership with Bruce Power in serving our local communities, and encourage the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission’s approval of a 10-year operating license renewal.

Sincerely,

Alana Murray
Director of Education

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