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Hydro Pensioners of Ontario,
Georgian Bay District Pensioners
Association, Bruce Sub Group

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In the Matter of

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

À l’égard de

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

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

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

Commission Public Hearing – Part 2

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Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission
P.O. Box 1046, Station B
280 Slater Street
Ottawa, On  K1P 5S9

Re. Bruce Power’s 10 Year License Renewal

The Bruce Sub Group, Georgian Bay District Pensioners Association, Hydro Pensioners of Ontario is an organization of pensioners of OPG and Hydro One Companies. The Bruce Sub Group comprises approximately 575 members most of whom were employees at the Bruce site averaging 20 to 30 years’ experience. Most of our members retired before or on the Bruce takeover date.

Our membership fully supports Bruce Power’s application for a 10 year operating license renewal.

As former employees of Ontario Power Generation mainly at the Bruce Site our members recognize the high standards of safety and performance that OPG practiced.
As Bruce Power assumed control of the Site they continued to improve and increase the safety and operational standards as numerous INPO and WANO audits have shown.

A large number of our members however did go back to the site working for Bruce Power for a number of years using their knowledge and experience to assist Bruce Powers as it strives for excellence.

Bruce Power now has all eight units in operation which has given employment to our children and grandchildren as well as attracting new people to the area which greatly expands the social and economic health of the region.

Bruce Power is a leader in supporting community infrastructure projects and local sponsorship opportunities and their leadership has resulted in additional companies that supply Bruce Power to strive toward achieving the same level of dedication and commitment to our local communities. Working together Bruce Power, supply chain companies and communities are building a nuclear energy economic hub that will redefine our communities and ensure we are thriving and sustainable for decades to come.

In September 2016 Bruce Power and the County of Bruce launched the Nuclear Economic Development and Innovation Initiative, The Initiative is a jointly funded partnership designed to leverage economic opportunities in communities across Bruce, Grey and Huron Counties, given Bruce Power’s multi-year, multi-billion dollar investment program.
The initiative is an equal partnership funding arrangement between Bruce Power and the County of Bruce that recognizes and engages Huron County and Grey County in its delivery and engagement process.

Bruce Power is committed to supporting long-term sustainable growth in our communities. They recognize that it takes communities working hand in hand with Bruce Power and their supply chain businesses that will help ensure that the Life Extension Program achieves success. In doing so Bruce Power has played an active role in bringing more investment, skills and opportunities into our communities.
Bruce Power supports our small business communities. In 2017 they launched a new website that enables local businesses to design and post coupons to market their local businesses across the region. Bruce Power did this because they know that in order to be successful, we need to raise awareness of our region’s services and amenities and maintain a strong retail and service sector.

Bruce Power is transparent in its communications and very open to engage in ongoing dialogues on how our communities can support them. Through the Nuclear Industry Regional Advisory Committee, our community leaders receive regular updates on Bruce Power’s Life Extension Program and supplier expansions. These regular communications enable for the planning and preparation for growth.

We are confident in the safe operations of their facility and their emergency preparedness.

Many of our residents have family who work at Bruce. They are strong advocates for Bruce Power’s operations and their meaningful contributions to our social and economic health.

Respectfully submitted

Robert Clarence
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