Written submission from James Ronald

In the Matter of

Ontario Power Generation Inc., Pickering Nuclear Generating Station

Request for a ten-year renewal of its Nuclear Power Reactor Operating Licence for the Pickering Nuclear Generating Station

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I am a resident of Durham Region and a proud supporter of nuclear power in Ontario. I support the relicensing of the Pickering Nuclear Generating Station. OPG has a strong operating record, with good safety and environmental performance. There has been a significant improvement in plant performance, including top-performing plant safety designations and strong evaluations from external agencies. OPG has impressively implemented additional safety measures in the very unlikely event of beyond design basis event, including purchasing, testing and maintaining emergency mitigating equipment such as portable generators and pumps.

OPG supports innovation and investing/developing high quality technical staff and leaders. OPG and the Pickering plant have strong community support, OPG workers are seen as contributors in the community. There is a high level of support in the community for this relicensing application.

My neighbours tell me they are confident in OPG’s ability to operate the plant. The relicensing of the Pickering plant will have a positive economic impact in Ontario and result in jobs and other economic spin-off activities for residents and businesses in Durham Region and across the province. This is the right decision for Ontario.

Mr. James Ronald