



**Written submission from  
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In the Matter of the

À l'égard de la

**New Brunswick Power Corporation,  
Point Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station**

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**Société d'Énergie du Nouveau-Brunswick,  
centrale nucléaire de Point Lepreau**

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Application for the renewal of NB Power's  
licence for the Point Lepreau Nuclear  
Generating Station

Demande de renouvellement du permis  
d'Énergie NB pour la centrale nucléaire de  
Point Lepreau

**Commission Public Hearing  
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**From:** Kim Leffley  
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To whom it may concern:

25 years is a long time. A lot can and has change in 25 years. Look how much our world has changed in the last 25 years as a result of things like 9/11 and its impact on security and travel; revelations regarding climate change; a pandemic and its impact on cultural attitudes toward rights and freedoms and the trustworthiness of government; and global tensions between longtime allies and partners among others.

To lock in any agreement for 25 years knowing the pace at which technology, science and culture are changing is to my mind risky and shortsighted. It handcuffs the government's flexibility to react and respond in potentially beneficial ways to unforeseen changes in energy need and production technology. It minimizes accountability on the part of the now secure licensee (who already bears a significant debtload in this field under their management). It negates the opportunity over an extended and pivotal timeperiod for meaningful public input into how energy development options are pursued. It also risks creating a complacency which removes the incentive for the licensee to continually seek efficiencies, publically and environmentally beneficial energy production options, and social support and license for its activities.

For these reasons I would encourage that the licensing period be maintained in its current 5 year format to assure a continued ability to make energy decisions free from potentially restrictive and dated agreements and to assure continued responsiveness and accountability on behalf of the licensee.

Respectfully submitted,

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