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Proposed Environmental Impact Statement
for OPG's Deep Geological Repository
(DGR) Project for Low and Intermediate
Level Waste

Joint Review Panel

September 16 to October 12, 2013

Mémoire de
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À l'égard de

Ontario Power Generation Inc.

Étude proposée pour l'énoncé des incidences
environnementales pour l'Installation de
stockage de déchets radioactifs à faible et
moyenne activité dans des couches géologiques
profondes

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Dear Joint Review Panel;

I've spent years writing responses to reviews of nuclear generated issues, for the future of my own family and the health of the life of the planet. When we set out upon a wrong direction we meet with one obstacle after another, as has been the case in our attempts to fit nuclear power into our energy package.

Now we're trying to clear the way to store low and intermediate level radioactive wastes deep within the rockbed under the shores of Lake Huron. This would be patently dangerous, given the increasing instability of our planet's environmental systems, and the explosive political climate worldwide. Beyond keeping this waste accessible for the day when we may have discovered a solution, I'm sorry I have no suggestion to make regarding what might be done with it. We've cornered ourselves - again. Our solutions in such circumstances tend to disregard any ethical issues like toxic contamination of the earth and water, or leaving the problem to be dealt with by future generations.

And sadly, the massive and unpredictable amounts of money, human energies and stress required for us to continue toward this dead end could be being given to developing local and renewable resources. Just as communities are moving toward local, sustainable, economies, energy generation will one day have to follow.

From Bev Sawyer