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

Joint Review Panel

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August 13, 2013. Port Elgin, Ontario.

To whom it may concern:

I unconditionally support Ontario Power Generation's proposal for the long-term storage of low and intermediate level nuclear waste in the Deep Geologic Repository Project at the Bruce Nuclear site.

I believe the proponent has employed sound and rigorous scientific and engineering criteria in advancing their proposal to its present state.

Further, I believe that this project must proceed in a timely fashion.

Ontario has derived enormous, almost incalculable benefit from the electricity produced by our existing nuclear generating stations. I believe we have a moral obligation to future generations to start the process of safely isolating the nuclear waste resulting from the production of that electricity in a long-term storage facility.

I recognize that not all Ontarians agree with my views. In fact some are strenuously opposed to this project. I have given much thought and consideration to their arguments, but in the end I've been forced to conclude that much if not all of their opposition is derived from gut level emotion rather than a good understanding of the scientific and engineering considerations inherent in the OPG proposal.

Every opinion adds value to the process, however in the end the Panel must reach a conclusion. I strongly encourage the Panel to recognize the outstanding geoscientific research that is the foundation for the OPG proposal, and recommend Government approval for the project to proceed.

Thank you for reading this submission and considering my views.