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RE: Public Comment on Additional Information for Ontario Power Generation's Deep Geological Repository for Low and Intermediate Level Waste

On behalf of the Municipality of Brockton I am writing as Mayor on behalf of our Council and residents to reaffirm support for Ontario Power Generation's (OPG) Deep Geologic Repository (DGR) for low and intermediate level waste in Kincardine, Ontario and the studies OPG submitted to the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (CEAA) in December of 2016.

Our Council is on record as supporting this project since its inception. We support and are familiar with nuclear energy and the vital role it plays in our province for base-load electricity and for all of Canada, in assisting our country's effort with climate change. Council has had an opportunity to review OPG's additional submission to the CEAA that was submitted in December of 2016 and concurs with their findings.

As a local neighbor to the nuclear operations at both Bruce Power and Ontario Power Generation's Western Waste Management Facility, we have a vested interest in the safe operations at the facilities - both now and in the future. Our community trusts the results of Ontario Power Generation's study and the science community when they conclude that the site in the Municipality of Kincardine is the best location for a DGR to contain the low and intermediate level waste. Scientists state that a Deep Geological Repository is international best practice and that the Kincardine site meets all the attributes recognized worldwide for a safe site for a DGR for nuclear waste.

The current arrangement where the storage is above ground at the Bruce nuclear site is not a long term solution although it is secure one. After years of research, scientists

from around the world agree that a DGR is the responsible choice both for now and thousands of years to come.

OPG's study indicates that while there are two other possible sites in Ontario for a DGR, there would be more environmental affects at either of those over the Kincardine site. These effects range from effects on air quality transporting all the material currently stored above ground at the Bruce Nuclear site; adverse effects of the removal of vegetation required for site preparation and the associated construction of facilities and roads; adverse effects on wildlife previously dependent on that area for survival; traffic from the waste transport and workers as well as the indirect nuisance-related effects from background noise levels and establishing new sources of radiation exposure at a location where there likely is none.

We are appreciative of the on-going, exhaustive and transparent review undertaken by the Federal Government and the Joint Review Panel. Years of studies, planning, preparation and great expense have gone into the DGR proposal to confirm it is safe to proceed.

The belief that the current generation take responsibility for the waste that has been gathered over the years is a fair one. Our generation has benefited from nuclear energy and should be responsible for building a DGR now not later. Based on the science and the conclusions, we remain assured the safety of our community and the safety of Lake Huron's water will be protected.

Sincerely,
<Original signed by>

David Inglis
Mayor, Municipality of Brockton