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Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) 280 Slater St., P.O. Box 1046, Station B Ottawa, ON K1P 5S9

Re: Site Preparation Licence to support the Darlington New Nuclear Project (DNNP)

Dear Members of the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission,

On behalf of the Whitby Chamber of Commerce members and Board of Directors, I am reaching to communicate our support for the renewal of the Site Preparation Licence to support the Ontario Power Generation Darlington New Nuclear Project (DNNP).

Darlington is the only site in Canada currently licensed for the production of nuclear energy. Additional generation at Darlington would allow low-carbon, reliable nuclear energy to continue being an important part of Ontario's energy mix. Renewal of the licence would be one-step in a series of licences and regulatory approvals required prior to the construction and operation of a new reactor. OPG's innovative approaches to powering Ontario in addition to responding to a greater need for clean-energy production to support the growth of electrified transportation.

The Ontario Power Generation (OPG) is a major employer in the Durham Region and the energy supply chain benefits many communities across Ontario with employment and economic opportunities. With significant employment opportunities now and in the future, we expect OPG to remain a major contributor to the economic growth of the Region. Our business community supports the reliable delivery of electricity and asks that this project ensure that the delivery is also affordable. OPG is an active supporter of the business community, and we are particularly proud of their commitment to safety.

We strongly support the renewal of the Site Preparation Licence to ensure the Ontario Power Generation Darlington New Nuclear Project.

Regards,

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