

Town of Saugeen Shores

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Bruce C Nuclear Project
Impact Assessment Agency of Canada
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Ottawa, Ontario K1A 0H3
Via email: Bruce@iaac-aeic.gc.ca

RE: Saugeen Shores Submission to IAAC & CNSC on the Initial Project Description for the Bruce C New Nuclear Project

Dear Sir/Madam,

Thank you for this opportunity to provide comments on the Initial Project Description (IPD) for the Bruce C Nuclear Project from Bruce Power. As Ontario and Canada plan for substantial growth in electricity demand, the Bruce Power site represents a valuable option to expand Ontario's fleet of clean, reliable nuclear power.

Saugeen Shores is the region's fastest-growing community, housing approximately 40% of Bruce Power's 4,000 permanent workers and 18 nuclear suppliers, with growth expected to continue. The Town of Saugeen Shores is a proud member of the Clean Energy Frontier region and is quickly becoming a hub for innovation and a centre of excellence in the nuclear industry. The Town has a long-standing relationship with Ontario's energy sector due to its proximity to Bruce Power (22 kilometers) and as such, we are eager to assist in the success of the Bruce C Project by ensuring that our community has the necessary infrastructure and services to support it.

The Town of Saugeen Shores supports the government's goal to electrify the economy and invest in clean energy, including nuclear. As a central hub of local expertise and strong local leadership, the Town knows both the environmental and economic importance of the energy sector in the daily lives of Ontarians. Investing in a new nuclear build on the existing Bruce Power site and utilizing existing transmission corridors, has the potential to streamline the regulatory process. Our community has a high level of citizen engagement, knowledge of the industry and acceptance of large-scale energy projects, positioning Bruce Power and our region as a unique location for potential expansion.

While the Town's Comment Submission highlights several areas that require further examination to understand the impact of a potential new nuclear build, Bruce Power has committed to working with the municipality to make capacity funding available to ensure participation in Impact Assessment process. We look forward to this arrangement being finalized in the near term now that the Initial Project Description (IPD) has been submitted. We also appreciate that Bruce Power is supportive of developing a long-term framework to

guide this process with Saugeen Shores. This is an effort that we look forward to advancing.

Our community supports the work Bruce Power does and looks forward to working together with the company and other levels of government and relevant agencies to advance work on the Bruce C project with the hopes of building new nuclear capacity at the Bruce Power site.

Sincerely,

Luke Charbonneau, Mayor Town of Saugeen Shores