

10 November 2011

Ms. Louise Levert
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Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission
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**RE: Public Hearing December 1, 2011 – Ref. 2011-H-06
New Brunswick Power Nuclear Corporation Power Reactor Operating Licence for the Point Lepreau
Generating Station**

Dear Ms. Levert,

This is the Saint John Board of Trade's application for permission to participate as an intervenor in the public hearing scheduled for December 1, 2011 on the renewal of the Power Reactor Operating Licence for the Point Lepreau Generating Station (PLGS) for five years.

We wish to intervene in writing only. Please consider the text of this letter as our written intervention.

The Saint John Board of Trade is a nationally accredited business organization *with distinction* dedicated to fostering an economic climate that enhances growth, prosperity, and an improved quality of life in the community. With more than 1,000 members, representing 600 small, medium, and large businesses and organizations and therefore, the interests of more than 30,000 citizens, the Board is a dynamic advocate and the principal voice for the business community of Greater Saint John. The elected Board of Directors is representative of the diversity of the membership and their concerns.

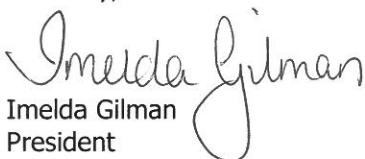
The Saint John Board of Trade supports the licence renewal of the New Brunswick Power Nuclear Corporation (NBPN) Power Reactor Operating Licence for the Point Lepreau Generating Station for five years. We have an interest in the licence renewal being heard because the PLGS has generated power in a safe, environmentally friendly, and cost effective manner for the past 28 years.

NB Power is one of our community's largest employers, an important player in the Saint John economy, and a member of the Saint John Board of Trade. The PLGS employs a wide variety of highly skilled workers who are important to the future growth and development of our local, regional and provincial economies. The station is one of the key components of the Energy sector in Saint John and New Brunswick and will continue to be a cornerstone as we grow and develop this sector.

It is our strong belief that this project is good for the economy of the Greater Saint John area, Southwestern New Brunswick, the Province, and Canada. We believe it is not only good from an economic perspective, but that it makes sense from an environmental and energy supply perspective.

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Sincerely,


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