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To Whom it May Concern,

The Organization of Canadian Nuclear Industries (OCNI) is an association of more than 200 Canadian suppliers to the nuclear industry that employ more than 14,000 highly skilled and specialized engineers, technologists, and trades people. OCNI companies design reactors, manufacture major equipment and components, and provide engineering services and support to CANDU nuclear power plants in Canada as well as to CANDU and Light Water Reactor (LWR) plants in offshore markets.

In March of this year OCNI opened an office in Port Elgin to support member companies who are partnering with Bruce Power on various operational and life extension projects. OCNI also promotes innovation and economic development in Bruce County by linking member companies with various community initiatives. OCNI was invited to provide advice on the formulation of the Bruce County “Project Innovate”. As part of that County initiative OCNI participated in the preparation and presentation by the Hydrogen Business Council to the Bruce County Council on October 18, 2018 entitled: “Request to Bruce County to Partner with Industry Stakeholders to Advance Federal and Provincial Government Funding Opportunities for Local Hydrogen Technology Pilot Projects”.

“There are many areas, such as electric and hydrogen vehicles, where Ontario is well positioned to benefit from the transition to cleaner transportation technologies. There is an opportunity for the government to work with the automotive sector and other partners to accelerate the uptake of zero emission vehicles to reduce GHG emissions and grow our economy.” Pollution Probe’s response to the Ontario Government’s *Preserving and Protecting our Environment for Future Generations: A Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan*, November 30, 2018.

OCNI is therefore pleased to offer this letter in support of Bruce County and local partners in their undertakings to demonstrate leadership in hydrogen technologies, large-scale energy storage in a move toward transformative change in decarbonizing the economy.

In addition to believing in principle in the benefit of “clean hydrogen” applications in energy storage, transportation, and agriculture, several of our member companies have unique capabilities in designing and constructing various hydrogen infrastructure facilities.

OCNI welcomes the opportunity to participate in this important endeavor which will offer important low GHG emitting solutions in the fight against climate change.

Sincerely,



Ron Oberth
President and CEO