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Subject: Request for Mayor Eisenberger to sign Great Lakes Mayors joint sign on letter to Minister McKenna re: OPG DGR
Attachments: Hamilton DGR Resolution Sept 11 2013.pdf; Sign on letter from resolution communities.pdf

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Sent: Sunday, May 07, 2017 9:34 PM

To: Office of the Mayor

Cc: Pearson, Maria

Subject: Request for Mayor Eisenberger to sign Great Lakes Mayors joint sign on letter to Minister McKenna re: OPG DGR

Hello Mayor Eisenberger,

I am contacting you concerning Ontario Power Generation's (OPG) plan to construct a nuclear waste repository on the shore of Lake Huron in Kincardine Ontario at the Bruce Nuclear site.

Over the past 4 years our organization, Stop The Great Lakes Nuclear Dump, has undertaken an extensive outreach effort to encourage Great Lakes communities to pass resolutions opposing OPG's plan. Today, as a result of this very successful outreach effort, 187 resolutions representing over 23 million people opposing OPG's plan have been passed, including by the City of Hamilton. See <http://www.stopthegreatlakesnucleardump.com/resolutions.php> for a list of resolutions passed to date. FYI, I have attached a copy of the resolution passed by the City of Hamilton in September 2013.

Working closely with Mayor Keith Hobbs (City of Thunder Bay) and Mayor Mike Bradley (City of Sarnia) we have recently launched a new initiative that seeks to leverage the 187 resolutions that have been passed opposing OPG's plan. Specifically, we are encouraging Mayors of communities that have passed resolutions to sign an open letter to Minister McKenna. Our goal is to have at least 100 mayors sign the attached joint sign on letter and once this has been achieved, to send the letter to Minister McKenna. I am in the very early stages of approaching resolution community Mayors about the joint sign on letter. I currently have signatures from 12 Mayors and many more are in the works. See attached.

With a decision on this matter expected in 2017, we feel it is very important that Great Lakes communities continue to apply political pressure on Minister McKenna to reject OPG's plan. We believe the joint sign on letter will send a powerful message to Minister McKenna that opposition from Great Lakes communities remains strong and united.

Mayor Eisenberger, after reviewing the joint sign on letter, I am hoping you will agree to add your signature.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

If you have any questions or require any further information, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Frank Fernandez
Stop The Great Lakes Nuclear Dump

To learn more please visit our website: www.stopthegreatlakesnucleardump.com

To sign the online petition:

<http://www.gopetition.com/petitions/stopthegreatlakesnucleardump.html>

*Stop The Great Lakes Nuclear Dump Inc. is a non-profit organization comprised of concerned Canadians who believe that the **protection of the Great Lakes from buried radioactive nuclear waste is responsible stewardship**, and is of national and international importance.*

The Great Lakes were created by an ice age 12,000 years ago.

The Egyptian pyramids were created 4,500 years ago.

Some nuclear waste remains radioactive for 100,000 years.

The Great Lakes constitute 21% of the world's fresh water.

The Great Lakes are the water source supporting 40 million people in 2 countries.

An underground nuclear waste dump 1 km from the shore of Lake Huron defies common sense

Open Letter to Canada's Minister of Environment and Climate Change opposing Ontario Power Generation's proposed Deep Geologic Repository (DGR) - Signed by [] Great Lakes Mayors

<Date>

The Honourable Catherine McKenna, P.C., M.P.
Minister of Environment and Climate Change
House of Commons
Ottawa, Ontario
Canada K1A 0A6

Dear Minister,

We are writing to you in connection with the interests and concerns of our constituents, millions of people living in cities, towns, municipalities, villages and counties surrounding the Great Lakes.

We are deeply concerned that Ontario Power Generation (OPG) is proposing to bury nuclear waste in close proximity to the Great Lakes. The Great Lakes are critically important resources to both Canada and the United States and supply drinking water to forty million people including to the citizens we represent. The Great Lakes support fishing, boating, recreation, tourism, and agriculture and are the life-blood of a six trillion dollar Great Lakes region economy.

We find it irresponsible and deeply troubling that OPG failed and continues to refuse to investigate any other actual sites for its proposed nuclear waste repository (DGR) despite being required to do so under regulatory guidelines and further as required by you in your February 18, 2016 request.

We are completely mystified by OPG claims that its proposed DGR is "not an area of concern among the general population" in the face of 187 resolutions having been passed by local, county and state governments representing over 23 million people opposing the construction of a DGR anywhere in the Great Lakes Basin. It is plain to see that OPG's claims do not square with the facts.

Signatories to this letter, all duly elected officials of Great Lakes communities that have passed resolutions, remain deeply opposed and united in opposition to the permanent burial of nuclear waste anywhere in the Great Lakes basin and we fully support Stop The Great Lakes Nuclear Dump in their work to protect the fresh water of the Great Lakes from the threat posed by OPG's proposed DGR.

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Madame Minister, we the undersigned request that you act to protect North America's most precious resource and the health and safety of the millions of people who rely on your leadership by rejecting OPG's application for its DGR in Kincardine, Ontario.

Sincerely,

Mayor Keith Hobbs
City of Thunder Bay, Ontario

Mayor Mike Bradley
City of Sarnia, Ontario

Warden Bill Weber
Lambton County, Ontario

Mayor Denis Doyle
Township of Frontenac Islands, Ontario

Mayor Gil Brocanier
Town of Cobourg, Ontario

Mayor Al MacNevin
Town of Northeastern Manitoulin
and the Islands, Ontario

Mayor Gordon Schermerhorn
Town of Greater Napanee, Ontario

Mayor John Maloney
City of Port Colborne, Ontario

Reeve Eric Smith
Township of Stone Mills, Ontario

Mayor Maureen Cole
Municipality of South Huron, Ontario

Mayor Randy Hope
City of Chatham-Kent, Ontario

Mayor Jamie McGarvey
Town of Parry Sound, Ontario

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