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Alex Ruff, MP
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Dear Mr. Ruff:

We're reaching out to express concern over the exclusion of nuclear energy from the federal government's Green Bond Framework.

Together, Bruce Power and its nuclear supply chain represent a very significant employer and economic driver in Bruce County and across the tri-county region of Bruce, Grey, and Huron. To this end, recent findings about the economic impact of Bruce Power and its supply chain reports that:

- Bruce Power and its nuclear supply chain boosted Ontario's gross domestic product (GDP) by more than \$4 billion in 2020;
- 95% of the wealth created from Bruce Power's operations stays in Ontario;
- Bruce Power employs ~5,000 (direct employees); and the supply chain companies employ the full time equivalent of 13,400 (indirect employees). These are highly skilled, well-paid jobs, of which, the vast majority are concentrated in the tri-county region; and,
- Bruce Power's operations (direct and indirect) contribute \$234 million to the municipal tax base with most of this amount collected by municipalities in the tri-county region.

The exclusion of nuclear from this Framework de-emphasizes the importance of this industry, its employees, and their families who contribute significantly to the development of our communities and call this place home.

Further, this exclusion discourages investment in nuclear technologies, limiting the sectors' ability to raise capital not only for current operations but future innovation as well. Innovations we are seeing from Bruce Power and its partners, like medical isotopes, Cobalt-60

(used to sterilize 40% per cent of the world's single-use medical devices and equipment), and Lutetium-177 (used to treat various cancers) are saving lives and improving the quality of life of millions of people around the world.

Lastly, nuclear electricity has enabled Ontario to transition away from coal power generation, resulting in reduced emissions and cleaner air. The exclusion of nuclear from this Framework has the potential to significantly impede Canada's ability to meet both its 2030 emissions reduction target (40% below 2005 levels) and its goal of achieving net-zero emissions by 2050.

For these reasons, we are seeking your assistance in advocating for the inclusion of nuclear technologies in the Green Bond Framework. Inclusion of nuclear, will provide future economic growth in Bruce County, the tri-county region, Ontario, and Canada. It will enhance our innovative capacity and make the sector more competitive internationally. It will promote clean technology and achieve clean growth objectives both at home and abroad.

We believe that with your support, we can bring attention to these issues and amend the decision to exclude nuclear from the Green Bond Framework.

Sincerely,



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