Resolution to call for an Independent Review of Ontario Power Generation's proposed Deep Geologic Repository for Nuclear Waste at the shore of Lake Huron

Whereas Ontario Power Generation (OPG) is planning to construct two 660m (approx. 2,000ft) deep caverns in so-called low permeable limestone rock at the Bruce Power site near Kincardine on the shore of Lake Huron, and

Whereas OPG is planning to store low- and intermediate-level nuclear waste in these caverns from all of Ontario's 18 nuclear reactors and has requested a licence to begin construction from the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission, and

Whereas this Deep Geologic Repository will be located just 1,300m (3,900') from the Lake Huron shoreline on a spit surrounded by water on 3 sides, and is supposed to house irradiated waste dangerous for tens of thousands of years, and

Whereas this huge project could endanger all people living within the Great Lakes Ecosystem, and

Whereas there is no truly independent scientific study being planned for this never before tried undertaking and no Precautionary Principle applied,

Therefore be it resolved that Great Lakes United call on the federal Minister of the Environment to realize the overwhelming public concern about a project that can inflict unmentionable harm on our children and future generations and,

Be it further resolved that Great Lakes United opposes the planned construction of this Deep Geologic Repository and demands that the federal Minister of the Environment have this first-of-its-kind project brought before an Independent Panel for an in-depth Review with full public participation, under the provisions of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act.

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS IS A TRUE COPY OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTED AT THE TWENTY FOURTH ANNUAL MEETING OF GREAT LAKES UNITED ON JUNE 11, 2006, DETROIT, MICHIGAN.

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Molly M. Flanagan, Secretary