

BRUCE PENINSULA ENVIRONMENT GROUP

Lion's Head, Ontario established 1989

October 11 2016

The Honourable Jim Carr Minister of Natural Resources House of Commons Ottawa ON

Dear Minister Carr:

This appeal comes to you on your 65th birthday, on behalf of the Bruce Peninsula Environment Group (BPEG), a non-profit community organization, founded in 1989, based in Lion's Head, Bruce County, Ontario. Happy birthday Mr. Minister!

The Federal Commissioner of the Environment and Sustainable Development released her Fall 2016 Report last week (October 4th). She issued a devastating report card on the performance of the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC), the Federal Nuclear Regulator, part of your ministry's portfolio.

Here is the link: http://tinyurl.com/zbblwbj

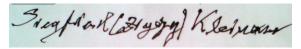
We have constantly been assured by CNSC's Chair and CEO and especially by its Executive Vice-President and Chief Regulatory Officer of the Regulatory Operations Branch that the CNSC takes every step to ensure public health and safety, without compromise, at all Canadian nuclear plants it regulates. As stated in the 2016 CNSC Annual Report, "We enforce our very strict regulatory requirements and vigilantly monitor licensees to verify they are following the rules."

The Federal Commissioner of the Environment and Sustainable Development disagrees strongly and has very serious problems with the execution of CNSC's duties. We expected, by their admission of such failures of their public duties, that those two highest CNSC officers would have tendered their resignations, having agreed with the reported failures in their oversight.

As this does not seem to be forthcoming we call on you, Minister Carr, as the cabinet member responsible for the conduct of the CNSC, to relieve these two persons of their duties. This action is necessary to restore Canadians' trust and respect for the upholding of safety and security standards entrusted to you under your portfolio.

We request a response within 30 days to this Appeal for Action; this is an open letter.

Submitted respectfully on behalf of the Bruce Peninsula Environment Group.



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c.c. The Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada
The Honourable Catherine McKenna, Minister of Environment & Climate Change
Rona Ambrose, interim leader of the Conservative Party
Thomas Mulcair, interim leader of the New Democratic Party
Elizabeth May, leader of the Green Party

Co-signed by:

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