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Hello Davenport Friends and Neighbours,

Happy New Year!

On December 21, 2020 the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) announced the approval of BWXT Nuclear Energy Canada Inc.'s application to renew the licence for their Toronto and Peterborough facilities. As some Davenport residents may already be aware, BWXT has a commercial production of nuclear fuel pellets at its facility located at 1025 Lansdowne Ave. Many local residents presented their concerns regarding the safety of the facility and demands for greater transparency from BWXT and its operations during the renewal hearings that took place at Casa do Alentejo in March 2020. During my [own intervention](#), I echoed many of the calls for more transparency and stronger communications. I also urged the CNSC to make a science-based decision that would ensure the ongoing safety of Davenport residents is the top priority. You may find the CNSC press release on the decision [here](#).

In December, the week before the CSNC decision, my staff met virtually with BWXT's president John MacQuarrie and his staff to be updated on BWXT's communication strategies and new measures adopted in response to testimony heard at the March 2020 renewal hearings in Davenport. BWXT outlined their updated local engagement strategies, their plans for future community events and outreach (once safe to resume), and more detailed information regarding their operations now available in multiple languages on their website. These include their Emergency Plan and Fire Protection Plan summaries.

BWXT also provided an update on their Toronto Community Liaison Committee (CLC) which is an opportunity for Davenport residents to engage directly with the company on key issues and concerns. Following the recruitment that ended in December 2020, BWXT had the largest amount of applications to date for 2021. If you missed the opportunity to join the CLC but this is something you think you might be interested in, I encourage you to reach out to BWXT directly at: questions@bwxt.com

Please do not hesitate to reach out to my office if you have any questions on these or other matters at 416-654-8048 and/or by email at: julie.dzerowicz@parl.gc.ca

My very best regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julie Dzerowicz".

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