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City of Kawartha Lakes  
37 Lindsay Street South  
Lindsay, ON K9V 2L9

**Subject: Letter of Support – Neoen Woodville Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) Project**

I am writing on behalf of PRI Engineering Corp. to express our strong support for the proposed Woodville Power Reserve Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) project.

As a locally based geotechnical and civil engineering firm headquartered in Lindsay, Ontario, just a short distance from the proposed project site in Woodville, we see this development as a natural fit for our region and a significant opportunity for local businesses and workers. PRI has long supported renewable energy and large-scale infrastructure projects across Ontario, providing engineering, materials testing, and environmental services from planning through to construction. The BESS project directly aligns our expertise and offers tangible local and industry-wide benefits.

Importantly, we understand that the proposed project has been carefully sited to avoid environmentally sensitive features such as wetlands, woodlands, and watercourses, and is designed to have minimal environmental impact. This approach supports the City of Kawartha Lakes' planning objectives around responsible land use, preservation of natural heritage features, and the protection and enhancement of agricultural operations and rural character.

In particular, we believe the project offers:

- Significant job creation during the construction phase, including roles for skilled trades, technicians, and general labour – all of which support the local workforce in Lindsay, Woodville, and surrounding communities
- Long-term operational benefits and potential for local service and maintenance roles
- A clear opportunity for PRI and other local firms to support project delivery through geotechnical investigations, civil design, construction quality assurance, and related engineering services
- An increase in private sector investment into the region, which supports economic development and diversification

- Advancement of Ontario's clean energy infrastructure and grid resiliency goals, which benefit the industry as a whole

PRI is proud to support responsible development in the Kawartha Lakes region and believes the Woodville BESS project exemplifies how clean energy and local economic development can go hand in hand. We appreciate the opportunity to be engaged in the conversation and look forward to future collaboration.

Sincerely,  
**PRI Engineering Corp.**

**Arash Yazdani**  
COO