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Dear Mayor and Council,

I am writing to inform you about a proposed battery energy storage project, the Woodville Battery Storage project (the Project), to be located in the City of Kawartha Lakes (the City).

The Project is being developed by Neoen Renewables Canada Inc. (Neoen) and a consortium of certain First Nations which are signatories to the Williams Treaties, as represented by Zhaaboshkaatoon Ltd., a corporation wholly-owned by such communities including Mississaugas of Scugog Island First Nation, Hiawatha First Nation, and Alderville First Nation (the First Nations). Concurrently with the development of the Project, Zhaaboshkaatoon and Neoen are working together to finalize the terms of the 50-50 ownership of the Project between Neoen and such First Nations.

A proposal for the Project is intended to be submitted in response to the Independent Electricity System Operator's Long Term 2 Request for Proposals closing December 18, 2025, and in support of the bid, Zhaaboshkaatoon and Neoen will be seeking a Municipal Support Resolution from the City on November 4th.

We have spoken with City staff and the Project aligns with the City's Economic Development Strategy and Strategic Plan. Neoen and Zhaaboshkaatoon plan to work with the City to optimize local and regional benefits.

The intended 50% ownership of the Project by these proximate First Nations aligns with the City's objective of supporting Indigenous economic opportunities. Our hope is that the Mayor and Council will take the City's Indigenous Policy into consideration when determining the issuance of an MSR.

We look forward to making a deputation for the Project on November 4th, and for the opportunity to demonstrate how the Project, with an MSR, can benefit both the City and region, while furthering the goals of First Nation economic growth and reconciliation.

Thank you for your kind consideration, and please contact our Energy Advisor at Patrick Gillette, at [REDACTED] with any questions or concerns.

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