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Deep Geologic Repository Project
Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency
160 Elgin Street, Place Bell Canada
Ottawa, Ontario K1A0H3

To Whom It May Concern:

Attached is a copy of an Official Resolution of the Macomb County Board of Commissioners adopted at its May 15, 2008 Full Board Session.

The Macomb County Board of Commissioners is in opposition to the proposed nuclear waste repository near Kincardine, Ontario and to any other underground repository in the Great Lakes Basin, in Canada, the United States or any First Nation property.

Sincerely,

Original signed by:
William A. Crouchman, Chairman
Macomb County Board of Commissioners

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RESOLUTION
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*Official Resolution
of the Board of Commissioners
Macomb County, Michigan*

*A Resolution in Opposition of the
Proposed Nuclear Waste Repository
Near Kincardine, Ontario Nor Any Other
Underground Repository Be Constructed
In the Great Lakes Basin, in Canada,
The United States or Any First Nation Property*

*Chairman William A. Crouchman,
On Behalf of the Board of Commissioners,
Offers the Following Resolution:*

WHEREAS, the Macomb County Board of Commissioners strongly values the water quality of Lake St. Clair and the Great Lakes; and

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes are an irreplaceable resource containing 22% of the world's and 95% of North America's fresh water vital to human and environmental health; and

WHEREAS, the Great Lakes are vital to the economic well-being of the area and the Nation; and

WHEREAS, Lake Huron and the connecting waters, including Lake St. Clair, are the source of drinking water for millions of people downstream in the United States, Canada and First Nation; and

WHEREAS, Michigan Act 204 of 1987, the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Authority Act, MCL 333.26201 - 333.26226, set forth siting criteria for the disposal of low-level radioactive waste. Such criteria excludes any site "located within 10 miles of Lake Michigan, Lake Superior, Lake Huron, Lake Erie, St. Mary's River, Detroit River, St. Clair River or Lake St. Clair;" and

WHEREAS, to protect water quality, other siting criteria of Act 204 excludes sites (1) located within a 500 year floodplain; (2) located over a sole source aquifer or (3) located where the hydrogeology beneath the site discharges groundwater to the land surface within 3,000 feet of the boundaries of the site; and

WHEREAS, no Michigan site was likely to meet all statutory siting criteria and similar siting criteria should be used in Canada and other locations in the Great Lakes Basin; and

WHEREAS, a proposal has been made for a low and intermediate level nuclear waste repository near Kincardine, Ontario, which this type of project has never been done before and which would not meet the siting criteria established under Act 204; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Macomb County Board of Commissioners, in order to protect the Great Lakes and its tributaries, urges that neither this proposed nuclear waste repository near Kincardine, Ontario nor any other underground repository be constructed in the Great Lakes Basin, in Canada, the United States or any First Nation property.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the appropriate legislature in the Great Lakes Basin, Canada, the United States and any First Nation property.

Original signed by:

*William A. Crouchman, Chairman
Macomb County Board of
Commissioners*

Original signed by:

*Carmella Sabaugh
Macomb County Clerk*