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Objet: [POLLURIEL (Bayes)] Strateco & The Uranium Industry in Quebec

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RE : Support for the Quebec Uranium Industry (Strateco)

To the Commissioner:

Allow me to introduce myself. I am a private investor who has been invested heavily in Strateco for 5 years. I have lived in Pickering, Ontario, about 5 km away from the Pickering Nuclear Reactor for over 18 years with no ill health effects. The reactor owners are great corporate supporters in the local area. But I'm sure if you look hard enough, you will find a few people who don't like them.

We have spent over \$120,000,000 exploring and developing the Strateco uranium mine, fully encouraged by the Quebec government, not to mention employing lots of Canadians (mainly Quebecois and First Nations people). Your previous Premier has gone to New York and Europe telling investors that "the province of Quebec is open for business". What exactly does this mean? Actions speak louder than words and Quebec's actions have demonstrated that this statement is not true. You have basically shut us down. People have lost their jobs. Economic activity has come to a halt. We have gone through countless public hearings over the years to come to where we are now. You are pushing Strateco to look toward Saskatchewan for future mining prospects.

WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT. As you are aware, this is the last step in a lengthy process. Quebec went from being one of the best places to invest to one of the worst. This will now end up in court and I as an investor, will NEVER invest in Quebec again and will encourage everyone I know not to either.

I support the Quebec uranium industry because it is a safe and clean form of energy. Just look at Saskatchewan – it is developing its uranium and has gone from a "have not" province with high unemployment to a "have" province with the lowest level of unemployed in Canada.

Sadly both Quebec and Ontario are now "have not" provinces because they rely on transfer payments from Ottawa (supported by provinces like Saskatchewan and Alberta, who developed their natural resources). If uranium mining was not safe, the Canadian Nuclear Regulatory Agency wouldn't have approved this project and the Saskatchewan government also wouldn't have allowed it in their province, in spite of the jobs it created or of the tax revenue it produced.

Your actions will and have resulted in investors in Canada, United States and Europe no longer being interested in investing in Quebec, as it appears to be anti-natural resource development

Regards,

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