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## **CHUDLEIGH CALLS FOR RESPONSIBLE GOVERNMENT**

*Oakville Generating Station cannot threaten air quality and public safety*

(Queen's Park) – Today Ted Chudleigh, MPP (Halton) and PC Critic to the Attorney General, questioned the Minister of Energy and Infrastructure on his plans to move forward with the Oakville Generating Station despite a steady decline in energy use and without requiring an Individual Environmental Assessment.

“It’s shocking” said Chudleigh, “The Liberal Government is building this power plant in the Clarkson-Oakville Airshed, without an Individual Environmental Assessment, even though this airshed already contains some of the worst quality air in Ontario.”

The Liberal Government has proposed building this site approximately 300 meters from a school and 400 meters from the homes of Oakville residents. According to the Citizens for Clean Air (C4CA), within 3 kilometres of the site there are 11,000 homes, 16 schools, 5 seniors’ residences and 8 day care centres.

“I am alarmed that the decisions being made in Oakville will be the future model used in communities across Ontario,” added Chudleigh, “for this reason, I am calling on this Government to set a responsible precedent. They must recognize the need for an independent Individual Environmental Assessment and guarantee adequate health and safety regulations to monitor gas fired power plants.”

“These responsible measures will help to guarantee that this power plant will not further degrade our air quality and will help to ensure the safety of our children, seniors, families and other residents. They are a proactive tool to help prevent the need to react to a tragedy,” added Chudleigh.

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