

74.7 A Reduction of the Widespread Placement of Nuclear Electric Generating Plants

Whereas, Canadian permissible radiation emission levels are a hundred times greater than those now allowed in the United States by their nuclear authority; and the long term health, genetic damage and environmental hazards of low level emissions are only now starting to be properly evaluated; and, Whereas, The Canadian nuclear industry is still in its infancy and on a self-confessed learning curve; and there is no comparable government financing of the many alternate sources of electrical energy; and, Whereas, Were a well planned energy conservation method followed, we would have a much smaller projected energy demand; and, Whereas, There is need for education and objective reporting in safety systems; therefore be it,

RESOLVED, That the National Council of Women of Canada urge the Government of Canada:

1. To delay the widespread siting of nuclear power plants until there is a more thorough and unbiased assessment of their safety design;
2. That no plants be sited where the principal aim is to supply export power, whether long term or short term;
3. That an intensive research effort be funded into alternative sources of energy, especially solar, these methods to include the realm of nuclear fusion.