



Honourable
Dan Carter
Mayor of Oshawa
Oshawa City Hall
50 Centre St S, Oshawa, ON L1H 3Z7

10 January 2023

Your Honour,

Re: Support for Ukraine's energy infrastructure

On behalf of the Ukrainian Canadian Congress Ontario Provincial Council and the Consulate General of Ukraine in Toronto, please accept our gratitude for your city's continuing strong support of Ukraine and the Ukrainian people during this difficult time.

Since Russia launched a full-scale invasion of Ukraine on February 24, 2022, thousands of Ukrainians have been killed, millions of Ukrainian civilians have been forced to leave their homes. For over ten months, Russia has undertaken a planned and systematic campaign of genocide and has committed war crimes and crimes against humanity in seeking to destroy the Ukrainian state and the Ukrainian people.

Russia continues its wanton and sadistic targeting of Ukrainian civilians and civilian infrastructure, leaving millions of Ukrainians without power, heating or water. Russia has fired over 16,000 missiles at Ukraine – 97% of which the Russian Federation has fired at civilian targets.

Unable to defeat the Ukrainian Armed Forces on the battlefield, Russia's attacks on civilian infrastructure – power plants, water filtration plants, electricity grids, gas storage facilities, hospitals, schools – are part of a purposeful campaign to make Ukraine's cities, towns and villages unliveable.

Ukraine's first responders and repair crews continue to do incredible work to restore civilian infrastructure following these Russian attacks. Russia's plan to force a large-scale collapse of Ukraine's infrastructure is a failure. However, in many cases these Russian attacks knock out power and water for hundreds of thousands or even millions of residents, sometimes for days at a time.

In order to ease the pressure on Ukraine's electric grid and in order to ensure a continuous supply of power to Ukraine's critical infrastructure such as hospitals – Ukraine needs generators.

Specifically, the generators most useful would be: Diesel/Gasoline, rated voltage 120/240V AC, Peak Wattage (starting) 6000-12000W. However, other types of generators as may be available will also be put to good use in Ukraine and would be most welcome as well. We appeal to you and the city of Oshawa to assist Ukraine in purchasing these generators, either by donating generators, or donating funds to purchase them. The Consulate General of Ukraine in Toronto has set up a dedicated account where funds be donated for the purchase of generators (e-Transfer 2402toronto@gmail.com). Assistance in the vital sphere of ensuring a continuous delivery of power to Ukraine's critical infrastructure would be most appreciated by the Ukrainian people and the Ukrainian government.

Again, Your Honour, thank you for your continued strong support of Ukraine and the Ukrainian people. We are certain that with the assistance of Ukraine's friends and allies, Ukraine will be victorious, and peace will soon be restored to Europe.

Should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact Mr. Roman Bobrov, roman.bobrov@mfa.gov.ua, cell: 6473907801.

Sincerely,

Oleksandr Shevchenko Consul General of Ukraine

in Toronto

Taras Bahriy, President **Ukrainian Canadian Congress** Ontario Provincial Council