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**Update on Cameco Corporation's  
Vision in Motion Project**

**Mise à jour sur le projet Vision in  
Motion de Cameco Corporation**

Commission Meeting

Réunion de la Commission

**December 8, 2020**

**Le 8 décembre 2020**

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### CAMECO VISION IN MOTION PROJECT

I am writing on behalf of Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL) with regard to Cameco Corporation's Vision in Motion Project in Port Hope, Ontario, an update on which will be presented at CNSC virtual public meeting on 2020 December 8.

Through its Historic Waste Program, CNL is implementing the Port Hope Area Initiative (PHAI) on behalf of Atomic Energy of Canada Limited, a federal Crown corporation. The PHAI represents the federal government's commitment to the cleanup and local, long-term, safe management of historic low-level radioactive waste in the municipalities of Port Hope and Clarington in southern Ontario.

Representatives of the PHAI and Vision in Motion teams worked co-operatively for more than a decade to coordinate the planning of both projects. Though distinct undertakings, with separate regulatory reviews and approvals, the two projects are linked and co-dependent as a result of the location of the historic low-level radioactive waste.

With PHAI remediation work now underway in the Centre Pier/Port Hope Harbour area adjacent to the Vision in Motion footprint and Cameco's uranium conversion facility, CNL and Cameco continue to collaborate to ensure the mandates of both projects are fulfilled while meeting regulatory requirements and minimizing the effects of the work on the Port Hope community.

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Significant coordination efforts resulted in the safe removal by CNL of approximately 20,000 cubic metres of historic waste in temporary storage on the Centre Pier while the site was under the care and control of Cameco; the demolition of buildings on the Centre Pier by Cameco; and the turnover of the site to CNL to facilitate the Port Hope Harbour and shared Centre Pier remediation responsibilities. The two organizations also collaborated on the demolition and remediation of the former municipal waterworks site where there is a shared responsibility for cleanup. Coordination is ongoing for the delivery by Cameco and receipt by CNL of drummed legacy waste to the PHAI Long-Term Waste Management Facility in Port Hope.

A CNL/Cameco Communications Working Group meets quarterly to ensure the Port Hope community is well informed in advance of the interconnected sequence of activities in the harbour area and that questions or concerns from the public about this work are addressed in a timely manner by one or both organizations.

CNL offers its continued support of the Vision in Motion Project that, in conjunction with the PHAI, will bring long-term environmental and socio-economic benefits to Port Hope through the remediation of the harbour and surrounding lands.

Sincerely,

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