



**Final submission from the
City of Pembroke**

**Mémoire définitif de
la ville de Pembroke**

In the Matter of the

À l'égard des

Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL)

Laboratoires Nucléaires Canadiens (LNC)

Application from the CNL to amend its
Chalk River Laboratories site licence to
authorize the construction of a near surface
disposal facility

Demande des LNC visant à modifier le permis
du site des Laboratoires de Chalk River pour
autoriser la construction d'une installation de
gestion des déchets près de la surface

**Commission Public Hearing
Part 2**

**Audience publique de la Commission
Partie 2**

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April 28, 2023

Subject: **Canadian Nuclear Laboratories' application to amend its Chalk River Laboratories site licence to authorize the construction of a near surface disposal facility IAA Reference Number: 80122**

Dear Secretariat:

The City of Pembroke fully supports the Near Surface Disposal Facility (NSDF) Project.

In my capacity as the Mayor of the City of Pembroke, I wish to provide this letter in support of Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL)'s application to amend its Chalk River Laboratories site licence to authorize the construction of a NSDF.

The City of Pembroke, known as the 'Heart of the Ottawa Valley', is a unique municipality that has a legacy of being the dominant center of commerce in the region and a regional hub for goods and services. The City of Pembroke is located on the Ottawa River approximately 47 kilometers downstream and downwind from CNL and the proposed NSDF. The City of Pembroke is home to a substantial number of CNL personnel, and I have great confidence in their expertise to construct and operate such a facility.

I have received many updates and have had the opportunity to discuss this project through my prior involvement with the Environmental Stewardship Council and receiving CNL presentations sent to Council. I am confident that the proposed facility will address legacy waste, and enhance protection of the environment including the Ottawa River, Pembroke's source of drinking water. The NSDF is a responsible permanent solution to addressing the environmental legacies at Canadian Nuclear Laboratories Chalk River site. It is our understanding that most materials destined for NSDF are already located at the CNL site. Canadian Nuclear Laboratories and the NSDF project will further protect the environment,

noting as well it will positively impact economically the surrounding area including the City of Pembroke directly and indirectly.

In conclusion, the City of Pembroke is in full support of the NSDF project as proposed and I am confident that the majority of the citizens of the City of Pembroke have little safety concerns arising from the operation of CNL and are most certainly in favour of CNL's application.

Thank you for providing the opportunity to intervene in this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ron Gervais". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Ron" and last name "Gervais" clearly distinguishable.

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