



**Written submission from  
Rural Action and Voices for the  
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In the Matter of the

À l'égard de

**Ontario Power Generation Inc. -  
Darlington Waste Management Facility**

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**Ontario Power Generation Inc. - Installation  
de gestion des déchets de Darlington**

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Application to Renew the Class IB Waste  
Facility Operating Licence for Ontario Power  
Generation in Darlington, Ontario

Demande de renouvellement du permis  
d'installation de déchets de catégorie IB pour  
Ontario Power Generation à Darlington  
(Ontario)

**Commission Public Hearing**

**Audience publique de la Commission**

**January 26, 2023**

**26 janvier 2023**

December 5, 2022

Commissioners  
Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission

**Objection to the request by Ontario Power Generation to  
change the name of its Darlington Waste Management Facility**

Dear CNSC Commissioners,

Our project RAVEN is concerned about the OPG proposal to change the name of its Darlington Waste Management Facility that might set an undesirable precedent for a similar move by NB Power.

At the CNSC hearing for NB Power's application for a renewal of the licence for the Lepreau plant in May this year, I mentioned my conversation with the former elder-in-residence for the University of New Brunswick. The elder shared with me that the translation of the term "nuclear waste" into the Wolastoqey language is "askomiw 'sanaqok" literally meaning "forever dangerous to life."

Changing the facility's name to "Nuclear Sustainability Services Darlington" will hide the fact that the facility houses nuclear waste. OPG's request reminds me of a line in George Orwell's dystopian novel of totalitarianism, *1984*: "The past was erased, the erasure was forgotten, the lie became the truth."

Please don't allow this.

Thank you.



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