



CMD 26-H100.11A

Date: 2026-08-07

Supplementary Information

Renseignements supplémentaires

Written Submission from the Kebaowek First Nation

Mémoire de la Première Nation Kebaowek

In the matter of the

À l'égard des

Canadian Nuclear Laboratories

Laboratoires Nucléaires Canadiens

Application to amend the licence and
licensing basis for the Gentilly-1 Waste
Facility

Demande concernant la modification de
leur permis et du fondement
d'autorisation pour l'installation de
gestion des déchets de Gentilly-1

**Hearing in writing based on written
submissions**

**Audience par écrit fondée sur des
mémoires**

July 2026

Juillet 2026

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Attachments: [2026.08.06 - Letter to CNSC from KFN - Response to June 23 and July 3, 2026 correspondence regarding the Gentilly-1 Waste Facility Licensing Proceeding.pdf](#)
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Good morning,

Please see attached Kebaowek First Nation's response to your letter dated June 23, 2026 and related email from CNSC Staff, Kirsten Sellers, dated July 3, 2026 providing additional information.

KFN requests these comments be included in the hearing record for the G-1 licence amendment matter.

Regards,
Kerrie

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On Tue, Jun 23, 2026 at 12:26 PM Jean Charles, Emmanuelle (CNSC/CCSN) <emmanuelle.jeancharles@cnsccsn.gc.ca> wrote:

2026-06-23 | Delivered Via Email

Good day,

Dear Chief Haymond:

Subject: 2026-06-23 | Canadian Nuclear Safety Commissions (CNSC) Response Letter to Kebaowek First Nation (KFN)

Please find attached a letter from Colin Moses (CNSC) concerning the subject line above.

Thank you,

Emmanuelle Jean Charles

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August 6, 2026

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**Re: Response to June 23 and July 3, 2026 correspondence regarding the Gently-1 Waste Facility
Licensing Proceeding**

Dear Mr. Moses,

Kebaowek First Nation (KFN) writes in response to your letter of June 23, 2026 and Ms. Kirsten Sellers' correspondence of July 3, 2026, enclosing additional documents relating to the transport of spent fuel from the Gently-1 Waste Facility ("G-1").

From the outset, we wish to reiterate our ongoing request that the Commission postpone the G-1 licence amendment hearing until such a time that the informational and consultation gaps are remedied and Kebaowek is provided a meaningful opportunity to engage in the process, including with respect to the assessment of the project's potential impacts to our rights in accordance with our own laws. It is not our preference nor preferred approach to engage with the matters raised in your correspondence and that of CNSC Staff by way of letter correspondence, as these matters are precisely those KFN has been seeking to resolve as part of the licensing process with the Commission.

At present, KFN has no certainty as to when the written hearing record may close or when the Commission may render its decision, despite the significant procedural, Constitutional, and disclosure issues that remain outstanding.

1 – Licence Hearing and Meeting Invite

In response to your invitation for a meeting, Kebaowek remains willing to meet with CNSC Staff. However, no justification has been provided as to why this meeting shall occur "outside the context of the G1WF licence amendment" when matters directly affecting that licensing matter, as raised by KFN, remain outstanding. Discussions with CNSC staff are not a substitute for dialogue with those ultimately responsible for determining this matter and we again request the opportunity to address the Commission, via an oral hearing for this matter.

Additionally, we do not wish to engage in a debate through correspondence regarding what CNSC Staff consider to be "within scope" or "outside the scope" for this proceeding, when these remain live

matters that we have included in our intervention before the Commission. For instance, your June 23, 2026 correspondence asserts that transportation-related matters and associated documentation fall “outside the scope” of the current licensing proceeding.

KFN has already addressed this issue at length in our written intervention to the Commission and we respectfully direct you to review these remarks. In our submissions, we set out why the transportation, storage, and ultimate disposition of the spent nuclear fuel are integral components of the overall project before the Commission; why these activities engage Kebaowek's section 35 rights, Indigenous laws, and right to Free, Prior and Informed Consent; and why the associated information is necessary to permit meaningful participation and procedural fairness.

Rather than revisit these arguments through this correspondence, our position remains unchanged as articulated in our G-1 written intervention.

2 – Information Requests and Additional Requests

KFN wishes to address the CNSC's correspondence of July 3, 2026 regarding KFN's request for documents and CNSC Staff's suggestion that we seek CNL's licence to transport application, safety analysis of the transportation package, and transport security plan from CNL directly.

These documents have already been requested directly from CNL and on July 29, 2026, we were provided confirmation that they would not be disclosed, namely due to being security-sensitive or proprietary. As CNL confirmed in denying our request for disclosure:

The SAR (proprietary 3rd party information) and Transport Security Plan (security protected information) are both confidential and cannot be released.¹

As these documents are already in the possession of the CNSC – by virtue of being submitted by CNL, reviewed by CNSC staff, and relied upon by the Commission in issuing the transport licence – we again request their prompt disclosure. The CNSC ought to ensure the most just and expeditious means of providing information rather than requiring Kebaowek to pursue an unsuccessful parallel request with the proponent. Ensuring dissemination of information also flows from the mandate of the Commission, as set out in the *Nuclear Safety and Control Act*.

The documents provided by the CNSC in the July 3, 2026 also give rise to additional requests for information which KFN now seeks:

1. The October 10, 2024 CNSC correspondence confirms that the International Atomic Energy Agency ("IAEA") and the CNSC were satisfied with the Summary of Activities and Safeguards Measures, identified as e-Doc 7371989. As that document is expressly relied upon in the CNSC's correspondence, KFN requests that e-Doc 7371989 also be disclosed; and
2. The transport licence provided only makes reference to a licence number and not the name of the licensee who held the authorization to transport high level radioactive waste and spent fuel

¹ Correspondence from CNL, Mitch MacKay, “Documents related to G1WF Spent Fuel Retrieval and Transfer,” to KFN dated 3 July 2026.

to Chalk River. KFN requests the name as to whom licence holder number TL-S-15193-48.00/2025 represents.

In closing, we request that this letter; your correspondence of June 23, 2026, Ms. Sellers' correspondence of July 3, 2026; and any subsequent correspondence regarding these matters, be included in the hearing record for the G-1 matter.

Kebaowek remains committed to engaging in good faith. We continue to call on the Commission to postpone the hearing until the informational and consultation gaps identified in our submissions have been remedied and meaningful dialogue and compliance with our law and protocol, has occurred.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lance Haymond". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lance" being more prominent than the last name "Haymond".

Chief Lance Haymond
Kebaowek First Nation

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