

Revised Notice of Hearing in Writing

February 17, 2025 Ref. 2025-H-101 **Revision 1**

CNSC to conduct a hearing in writing on Ontario Power Generation's application to amend the waste facility operating licence for the Pickering Waste Management Facility

The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) will conduct a public hearing based on written submissions in spring 2025. The hearing is to consider an application from Ontario Power Generation Inc. (OPG) to amend the Class IB waste facility operating licence for the Pickering Waste Management Facility (PWMF). The PWMF is located on the Pickering Nuclear Generating Station site in Pickering, Ontario, on the traditional lands and waters of the Michi Saagiig Anishinaabeg, the Gunshot Treaty (1877–88), the Williams Treaties (1923), and the Williams Treaties Settlement Agreement (2018). This revised notice of hearing in writing is to announce a change in submission dates. CNSC staff's and OPG's submissions will now be available on the CNSC website after March 7, 2025. The deadline for interventions is now May 6, 2025.

OPG currently holds a Class IB waste facility operating licence for the PWMF, and has applied to amend its licence to authorize the construction and operation of a new structure called the Pickering Component Storage Structure (PCSS). The PCSS would be for storage of low- and intermediate-level radioactive waste generated during future decommissioning and proposed refurbishment activities at the Pickering Nuclear Generating Station.

<u>OPG's application</u> is available on the CNSC website at <u>cnsc-ccsn.gc.ca</u> or on request to the Commission Registry. The hearing submissions from OPG and CNSC staff will be available on the CNSC website or on request to the Commission Registry after **March 7, 2025**.

A panel of the Commission will consider written submissions from OPG and CNSC staff, as well as written interventions from members of the public. The Commission will then deliberate and render a decision on OPG's application. Following the deliberations and decision of the Commission on this matter, a record of decision will be published on the CNSC website at cnsc-ccsn.gc.ca and made available on request. A decision from the Commission is anticipated in spring 2025.

Participant funding

In advance of the hearing in writing, the CNSC made available up to \$75,000 in funding through its Participant Funding Program. The purpose of the funding was to assist Indigenous Nations and communities, members of the public and interested parties in reviewing OPG's application and associated documents, and in participating in the Commission hearing process by providing topic-specific written interventions to the Commission. The deadline for submitting a completed



participant funding application form to the CNSC was November 15, 2024. The CNSC <u>approved</u> the reimbursement of up to \$51,920 to 3 recipients.

Interventions

Pursuant to rule 19 of the <u>Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission Rules of Procedure</u>, persons who have an interest or expertise in this matter or information that may be useful to the Commission in coming to a decision are invited to comment, in writing, on OPG's application. Requests to intervene must be filed with the Commission Registry by **May 6, 2025**, using the <u>online request form</u>, by emailing the Registry at <u>interventions@cnsc-ccsn.gc.ca</u>, or using the contact information below. The request to intervene must include the following information:

- a written submission of the comments to be presented to the Commission
- the requester's name, address, telephone number and email address

All submissions will be available for download on the CNSC website at cnsc-ccsn.gc.ca or upon request to the Commission Registry. Personal information, such as address and telephone number, is essential for linking the submission to its author. If you wish to ensure the confidentiality of your personal information, please submit it on a separate page.

For further information on the public Commission hearing process, or on the licensee or the facility being considered in this matter, or to request documents, contact:

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