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In the Matter of

À l'égard de

Decision on the scope of an environmental assessment of the proposed Micro Modular Reactor Project at the Canadian Nuclear Laboratories Ltd., in Chalk River

Décision sur la portée de l'évaluation environnementale pour le projet de microréacteur modulaire aux Laboratoires Nucléaires Canadiens Itée, à Chalk River

Hearing in writing based on written submissions

Audience par écrit fondée sur des mémoires

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From: <u>Mike Wilton</u>

Sent: Monday, June 1, 2020 10:56 AM

To: <u>Interventions (CNSC/CCSN)</u>

Subject: Experimental Reactor at Chalk River

Hello;

Our Group Algonquin Eco Watch (AEW) < <u>www.algonquin-eco-watch.com</u> > was mandated in 1996 to monitor and protect The Algonquin Park Ecosystem.

We continue to be concerned regarding the possibility of developing an underground storage containment structure for used radioactive material near your Chalk River Facility.

As you may be aware, Algonquin Park is the closest practical distance from the Chalk River facility for transporting and storing low, medium or high nuclear waste in the PreCambrian Shield.

While we hesitate to broach the subject for obvious reasons, we are prepared to strongly oppose any such future proposal.

As yet, no satisfactory nuclear waste storage facility has been developed <u>anywhere in the world.</u>

And yet you are proposing, with incomplete knowledge, at a particularly inopportune time, to develop a "small portable" nuclear power generator, without encouraging or even allowing adequate public participation.

Algonquin Eco Watch is and will remain opposed to such a proposal, at least until such time that Covid 19 has been resolved.

Sincerely,

Mike Wilton, President (former)

Algonquin Eco Watch.