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Written submission from the Training and Development Team at the Canadian Nuclear Laboratories Mémoire de l' Équipe de formation et développement des Laboratoires Nucléaires Canadiens

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

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Letter of Support from Training & Development for the Near Surface Disposal Facility:

The Training and Development (T&D) team at Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL) is in support of the proposed Near Surface Disposal Facility (NSDF) at the Chalk River Laboratories (CRL) site.

CNL's incredible advances in nuclear science and technology over the last 70 years have produced unavoidable nuclear liabilities in the form of waste. New and innovative ways to permanently and safely dispose of new and legacy waste materials at the end of their life cycle, as proposed in the NSDF Project, is essential if nuclear is to remain at the forefront of scientific innovation in the future.

T&D understands the concerns of the public regarding health and safety, and the potential ecological and environmental impacts, from the proposed NSDF. However, the degree of research, technical proficiency, stakeholder engagement, knowledge transparency, and regulatory oversight has been exemplary and can only serve to ensure a successful outcome for the NSDF Project.

Our team strives for performance excellence and is dedicated to supporting CNL's Missions by ensuring its employees are professionally trained to safely and competently perform their work. We apply rigorous training standards and methods in accordance with CNSC regulations and approved operating standards. We work closely with managers and supervisors, vendors, stakeholders, and subject matter experts to develop and deliver relevant and effective training. The NSDF will present new and diverse training needs for current and future CNL employees and stakeholders. Our team will leverage its expertise, capabilities, and strong collaborative work model to ensure those working at the NSDF are qualified, skilled, and supported to operate the facility safely and securely throughout its life cycle.

The NSDF is integral to CNL's work in sustainable energy technology, innovative environmental remediation, and novel medical advancements. Our team is excited to be part of this important and timely initiative and will lead the development and delivery of robust training programs to support its success.

CNL's Training & Development Team is in full support of the new NSDF.

Sincerely,

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