



Oral presentation

Written submission from the City of Pembroke

In the Matter of the

Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL)

Application from the CNL to amend its Chalk River Laboratories site licence to authorize the construction of a near surface disposal facility

Commission Public Hearing Part 2

May and June 2022

Exposé oral

Mémoire de la Ville de Pembroke

À l'égard des

Laboratoires Nucléaires Canadiens (LNC)

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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Subject: **Canadian Nuclear Laboratories' application to amend its
Chalk River Laboratories site licence to authorize the
construction of a near surface disposal facility IAA
Reference Number: 80122**

Dear Secretariate:

The City of Pembroke fully supports the Near Surface Disposal Facility (NSDF) Project.

In my capacity as the Deputy Mayor for the City of Pembroke (a position I have held since 2010) and as the appointed member to the Canadian Nuclear Laboratories Environmental Stewardship Council (ESC), I wish to provide this letter in support of Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL)'s application to amend its Chalk River Laboratories site licence to authorize the construction of a NSDF. Furthermore, I wish to appear before the Commission during the Part Two Hearing as a representative of the City.

The City of Pembroke known as the 'heart of the Ottawa Valley' is a unique municipality that has a legacy of being the dominant centre of commerce in the region and a regional hub for goods and services. The City of Pembroke is located on the Ottawa River approximately 47 kilometers downstream and downwind from CNL and the proposed NSDF. The City of Pembroke is home to a substantial number of CNL personnel, and I have great confidence in their expertise to construct and operate such a facility.

I have received many updates and have had the opportunity to discuss this project through my participation on the ESC and receiving CNL presentations to City Council. I am confident that the proposed facility will address legacy waste, and enhance protection of the environment, including the Ottawa River, Pembroke's source of drinking water. The NSDF is a responsible permanent solution to addressing environmental legacies at Canadian Nuclear Laboratories Chalk River site. It is our understanding that most materials destined for the NSDF are already located at the CNL site. Canadian Nuclear Laboratories and the NSDF project will further protect the environment, noting as well it will positively impact economically the surrounding area including the City of Pembroke directly and indirectly.

In conclusion, the City of Pembroke is in full support of the NSDF project as proposed and I am confident that the majority of the citizens of the City



of Pembroke have little safety concerns arising from the operation of CNL and are most certainly in favour of CNL's application.

Thank you for providing the opportunity to intervene in this matter.


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