



**Written submission from the
Port Hope and District
Chamber of Commerce**

**Mémoire de la
Port Hope and District
Chamber of Commerce**

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

**Commission Public Hearing
Part 2**

**Audience publique de la Commission
Partie 2**

May and June 2022

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Senior Tribunal Officer, Secretariat
Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission
280 Slater Street P.O. Box 1046, Station B
Ottawa, Ontario K1P 5S9

April 8, 2022

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 Secretariat:

The Port Hope and District Chamber of Commerce (The Chamber) supports CNL's proposed Near Surface Disposal Facility project to address radioactive waste currently at Chalk River Laboratories.

As Port Hope's trusted Voice of Business, the Chamber is focused on building a vibrant community where businesses thrive. We influence public policy and work with partners to remain focused on advocacy, education, relationship building and resource development to empower the business sector.

The Chamber has been engaged by CNL in the similar project in Port Hope and we understand the issue of legacy radioactive waste from previous industrial activities in our country. We are certain that if the process mirrors the one used in Port Hope that CNL will be undertaking a public and transparent review process for the Chalk River facility as well as ensuring that the NSDF proposal will meet the requirements for safety.

As a partner in contributing to the long-term economic diversity of the Port Hope community we know that the staff at CNL value safety, environmental protection, quality, and accountability. We can speak through evidence-based discussions, continuous updates, and working with CNL to keep the community informed, that properly disposing of waste in this highly engineered facility built to stand the test of time, will ensure they are taking accountability for the waste now, instead of leaving it for future generations.

We are supportive of CNL's NSDF choice because it is the appropriate solution that will be protective of people and the environment. If you have any questions please reach out to me directly, brenda@porthopechamber.com

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

Brenda Whitehead



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