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Deep Geologic Repository (DGR) Project for Low and Intermediate Level Radioactive Waste

Interested Parties

August 21, 2017 –The Minister of Environment and Climate Change, the Honourable Catherine McKenna, has requested additional information on the environmental assessment for the proposed Deep Geologic Repository (DGR) Project for Low and Intermediate Level Radioactive Waste in Kincardine, Ontario.

On July 24, 2017, the Saugeen Ojibway Nation [wrote](#) to the Minister, stating that the communities are engaged in a community-driven process in order to make a well-informed decision on whether they can support the DGR project. This process relates to a commitment made by Ontario Power Generation (OPG) to the Saugeen Ojibway Nation that OPG would not move forward with the project until the Nation’s communities are supportive of it.

In light of OPG’s commitment to the Saugeen Ojibway Nation and the Saugeen Ojibway Nation’s letter of July 24, 2017, the Minister has issued a [request for additional information](#) to OPG to update its analysis of the potential cumulative effects of the project on physical and cultural heritage. The results of the Saugeen Ojibway Nation’s process must inform this analysis and be incorporated in the proponent’s response.

Following the submission of the updated cumulative effects analysis, the Agency will make available a draft report and potential conditions for comment by the public and Indigenous groups.

For information on the DGR project, please visit the Canadian Environmental Assessment Registry (the Registry) website at canada.ca/ceaa, reference number [17520](#). Interested Parties are encouraged to check the Registry regularly to view documents related to the additional information. All records produced, collected or submitted in respect of the environmental assessment will be considered public and posted on the registry unless they are excluded for reason of privacy, confidentiality or security.

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Sincerely,

REVISED - Estimated Timeline

Review of Additional Information on the Deep Geologic Repository for Low and Intermediate Level Radioactive Waste Project

Activity / Milestone	Approximate Timing
Minister requests additional information from OPG	February 18 th , 2016
OPG's Response received by the Agency	December 28 th , 2016
OPG's Response posted to the public registry	January 3 rd , 2017
Conformity Review of OPG's response by Agency and Federal Review Team	January 3 rd to 16 th , 2017
Public Comment Period / Technical Review of OPG's response	January 18 th to March 6 th , 2017
Agency requests additional information from OPG	April 5 th , 2017
OPG's Response received by the Agency	May 26 th , 2017
Agency commences preparation of Draft Report and Potential Conditions	June 26 th , 2017
Minister requests additional information from OPG	August 21 st , 2017
OPG's submits Response to Minister's Request	TBD
Agency resumes preparation of Draft Report and Potential Conditions	TBD
Public Comment Period on Agency's Draft Report and Potential Conditions (30 days)	TBD
Agency finalizes report and Potential Conditions	TBD
Submission of Decision Package to Minister	TBD

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Indigenous consultation occurs throughout
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*Should the Agency or the Minister determine that additional information is required from OPG, the estimated timeline is subject to change.