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Beverly Fernandez
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Dear Ms. Fernandez:

Thank you for your letter of May 19, 2017, concerning Ontario Power Generation's Deep Geologic Repository for Low and Intermediate Level Radioactive Waste Project.

On September 7, 2016, the Minister of Environment and Climate Change informed the proponent that the Agency would undertake the review of the additional information, assisted by federal authorities, in an open and transparent process, including opportunities for participation by the public and Indigenous groups.

In keeping with this direction, the Agency has used a process for the review of the additional information that is reflective of the extensive consultation and analysis completed by the Joint Review Panel and the current standard process for environmental assessments managed by the Agency. This process was outlined in the estimated timeline posted on the registry on January 3, 2017 ([CEAR # 2884](#)).

On April 5, 2017, after taking into consideration the comments received during the technical review and advice from federal departments, the Agency requested further information the proponent. The responses to the information requests will be submitted by the proponent on May 26, 2017. As stated previously, the Agency is using the current process for environmental assessments by the Agency to manage the Deep Geologic Repository Project, therefore, a 30-day public comment period on the responses to the information requests will not be held.

As outlined in the [Operational Policy Statement for Information Requests and Timelines \(February 2016\)](#), the Agency will have up to 30 days of non-regulatory time to form an opinion on whether the requested information has been provided by the proponent. If the Agency decides that it requires more information, it will ask the proponent for additional material. If, in the Agency's opinion, the responses have answered all the information requests, the Agency will inform the proponent and commence the draft report writing phase of the environmental assessment.

The Agency will finalize its draft report and make it available for a 30-day public comment and consultation with Indigenous groups. At the same time, the Agency will



consult on proposed conditions for the Minister's decision statement, should the Project be allowed to proceed.

Thank you for your input during the review process of the additional information for the Deep Geologic Repository Project.

Please contact me if you require further information, I can be reached at CEAA.DGR.Project-Projet.DGR.ACEE@ceaa-acee.gc.ca.

Yours sincerely,

<Original signed by>

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May 19, 2017

Via Email

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Dear Ms. Virtue:

Re: Ontario Power Generation Proposed Nuclear Waste Repository

On April 5, 2017, the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (Agency) directed Ontario Power Generation (OPG) to provide additional information with respect to OPG's proposed nuclear waste repository. On April 13, 2017, OPG advised the Agency that it would provide a response to the April 5th additional information request by May 26, 2017.

We note that in respect of the additional information filed by OPG on December 28, 2016, the Agency invited the public, Indigenous groups and governments to review and comment on the additional information, and provided advance notification and details of the public consultation and review process following receipt of said additional information.

We note that the Agency has provided no details of the public consultation and review process that will apply in respect of the additional information anticipated to be filed by OPG on May 26, 2017. Accordingly, Stop The Great Lakes Nuclear Dump kindly requests that the Agency provide details of said public consultation and review process as soon as possible.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

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cc. Hon. Catherine McKenna, Minister of the Environment and Climate Change