



December 23, 2019

Ms. Meggan Vickerd
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Subject: CNSC Staff Completeness Check of: 2019 December – Final – Draft CNL Consolidated Responses to NSDF EIS Federal and Provincial Review Comments

Dear Ms. Vickerd:

Thank you for your December 12, 2019 submission [1] to the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) that included a revised environmental impact statement (EIS) for the proposed Near Surface Disposal Facility (NSDF) Project at Chalk River Laboratories (CRL). CNSC staff have conducted a completeness check of CNL's draft consolidated responses to the NSDF EIS federal and provincial review comments [2]. CNSC staff have determined that the submission is complete and the required information has been provided to enable the federal and provincial review team to proceed with the EIS technical review.

As per Step 26 of Appendix A of the Administrative Protocol [3], a federal and provincial technical review of the provided complete package of information, including technical supporting documentation, will now commence, taking up to 90 days to complete and ending no later than March 23, 2020.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me directly by phone at 613-995-7948 or by email at Nicole.Frigault@canada.ca

Sincerely,

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References:

- [1] Letter, M. Vickerd (CNL) to N. Frigault (CNSC), CNL Response to CNSC Staff Completeness Check of: 2019 November – Final – Draft CNL Consolidated responses to NSDF EIS Federal and Provincial Review Comments, 232-CNNO-19-0055-L, December 12, 2019
- [2] Draft Consolidated Responses to CNL Dispositions to NSDF EIS Federal and Provincial Review Comments – Revision 1, 2019 December (e-Doc: 6070838)
- [3] Appendix A to the CNL-CNSC Administrative Protocol for the Near Surface Disposal Facility Project at Chalk River Laboratories (e-Doc: 6030203)