

Advisory Council to the
Nuclear Waste Management Organization

Record of Discussion: December 5, 2022 Meeting

Record of discussion of the meeting of the Advisory Council to the
Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) /
Société de gestion des déchets nucléaires (sgdn)

Convened at 22 St. Clair Avenue East, Toronto, Ontario,
commencing at 9:00 a.m. EST on December 5, 2022

Advisory Council Members Present:

David Cameron, Council Chair
Donald Obonsawin, Vice Chair
Joseph Cavalancia
Monica Gattinger (virtually)
Dean Jacobs
Diane Kelly (absent 10-11am)
Dougal McCreath
Stella Swanson
Linda Thompson

NWMO Staff Present:

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| Laurie Swami | President and CEO (items 1-19) |
| Tareq Al-Zabet | Site Director-South Bruce (item 5) |
| Pieter Asbeek-Brusse | Legal Counsel (items 1-19) |
| Chris Boyle | VP & Chief Engineer (items 1-19) |
| Caitlin Burley | Manager, Transportation Engagement (item 6) |
| Sara Dolatshahi | Director, Strategic Projects (item 14) |
| Lisa Frizzell | VP Communications (items 1-19) |
| Joe Gaboury | Director, Indigenous Engagement-Southern Ontario (item 5) |
| Paul Gierszewski | Director, Safety & Technical Research (item 13) |
| Joe Heil | Director, Indigenous Engagement-Northern Ontario (item 5) |
| Sarah Hirschorn | Director, Geoscience (item 13) |
| Joanne Jacyk | Site Director-Ignace/Northwest (item 5) |
| Dakota Kochie | Director, Government & External Relations (item 7) |
| Georgina Kossivas | Chief Financial & Risk Officer (item 9) |
| Monica Kumar Dhoat | Assistant Board Secretary (items 1-19) |
| Jamie Matear | Director, Siting Coordination (item 5) |
| Melissa Mayhew | Senior Environmental Scientist (items 1-19) |
| Lise Morton | VP Site Selection (items 1-19) (virtually) |
| Doug Taylor | VP & General Counsel (items 1-19) |
| Justin Wallbott | Manager, Real Estate Services (item 17) |
| Bob Watts | VP, Indigenous Relations & Strategic Programs (items 1-20) |
| Allan Webster | VP Regulatory Approvals (items 1-19) |
| Derek Wilson | Chief Operating Officer (items 1-19) |

Guests:

Mollie Johnson DMA, Natural Resources Canada (NRCan) (item 1.5)
Celia Milne Triennial Report Writer (items 18-19)

1. Constitution of Meeting / Approval of Agenda / Land Acknowledgement

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. EST. The agenda was agreed upon as written. The Chair provided an Indigenous territory acknowledgement regarding The Dish with One Spoon Wampum and The Two Row Wampum.

1.5 Discussion with NRCan (*In Camera*)

The Council had a discussion with NRCan's Associate Deputy Minister Mollie Johnson *in camera*.

2. Safety Moment

Melissa Mayhew provided the safety moment highlighting the White Ribbon campaign to end Gender-Based Violence.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting / Action Items

The draft minutes and *in camera* minutes from the September 19, 2022 meeting were reviewed and approved by Council members. The actions list from the previous meeting and the Advisory Council workplan were also provided.

4. President's Report

The President reported on APM, the growing support for nuclear across the country, SMR developments, significant international progress, NWMO retention and recruitment issues and comments on the openness and transparency of the NWMO, more specifically the feedback which NWMO has received that it is not as open as it could be. Management is addressing this comment.

The Council discussed the concept of NWMO advocating that the APM project is a key element of decarbonization.

5. Item 5 was held in camera.

6. Item 6 was held in camera.

7. Item 7 was held in camera.

8. Preparing for Regulatory Decision-Making Processes

An update was provided to Council respecting the preparations being made by the NWMO for the federal Impact Assessment process and the licensing by the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC). The Council discussed the importance of Indigenous Led Assessments and how this may transpire in the Siting locations.

9. Item 9 was held in camera.

10. Item 10 was held in camera.

11. Standing reports

Updates were provided to Council members related to youth engagement, transportation and the external landscape.

12. Report on Council of Knowledge Holders & Municipal Forum Attendance

No verbal reports were provided as no meetings were held since the Council was last updated.

13. APM Technical Overview

The Council was provided with highlights of technical activities since the last meeting which included updates on Geoscience fieldwork, Engineering, Transportation, and Safety & Technical Research. The Council were informed that Management takes measures to make published technical NWMO papers as accessible as possible to maximise the readership of these informative articles.

14. Update on Integrated Strategy for Radioactive Waste (ISRW) Initiative

Management updated the Council on the development by NWMO of the Integrated Strategy for Radioactive Waste strategy. NRCAN is anticipating publishing the NRCAN policy in Q1 2023.

15. Next Meetings of the Advisory Council

The Council was presented with the 2023 meeting schedule.

16. Item 16 was held in camera.

17. Update on Centre of Expertise Visioning

Management reported that the COE project is at a very early stage of development. The Council was updated on the Centre of Expertise (COE) visioning process which has been undertaken this year.

18. Cumulative Effects

The Council discussed this topic during the discussion regarding the draft Triennial Report.

19. Tracking Matrices – Annual & Triennial

The Council reviewed the annual tracking matrix and the Triennial Report Tracking Matrix.

20. In Camera Session – Council Discussion

The Council held an in camera discussion.

The Chair declared the meeting terminated at 2:43 pm.

(*) indicates action items.

Dated the 27th day of March, 2023

David Cameron
Advisory Council Chair