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Sent: Wednesday, April 28, 2021 2:50 PM

Subject: CNSC President addresses recent public questions about pressure tubes at the Pickering Nuclear Generating Station

President Rumina Velshi addressed recent public questions around the safety of pressure tubes at Pickering. In her April 27 statement, she emphasized the independence of the Commission, whose decisions are guided by science and fact, not guesswork, conjecture or politics. Safety has been – and always will be – the top priority of the Commission in its role to keep Canadians safe every day.

Read the statement at <http://www.nuclearsafety.gc.ca/eng/resources/presentations/president-velshi-remarks-pressure-tube-pickering.cfm>

Watch the video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=a7bj1DH64vA>

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Subject: New Commission member appointed

On February 26, 2021, Mr. Randall Kahgee was appointed as a permanent, part-time member of the Commission for a 5-year term.

Mr. Kahgee is senior counsel with Olthuis Kleer Townshend LLP and specializes in Indigenous rights law, with an emphasis on community-based processes and government-to-government negotiations. His extensive experience will be a major asset in helping the Commission make independent, fair and transparent decisions on the licensing of nuclear-related activities.

Members of the Commission are independent of political, governmental, special interest group and industry influences, and have committed to the highest ethical and conflict-of-interest standards.

Read more about Mr. Kahgee's professional background at <http://nuclearsafety.gc.ca/eng/the-commission/commission-members/index.cfm#Kahgee>

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Subject: Now open for comments: Regulatory document on probabilistic safety assessments

REGDOC-2.4.2, Probabilistic Safety Assessment (PSA) for Reactor Facilities, Version 2 sets out the CNSC's requirements and guidance, for both applicants and licensees, for the PSA for a licence to construct or operate a reactor facility.

A PSA is a comprehensive and integrated assessment of the safety of a facility. It considers the probability, progression and consequences of equipment failures or transient conditions, that provide a consistent measure of the safety of the facility. The requirements and guidance contained in this regulatory document apply to all reactor facilities, including nuclear power plants, small reactor facilities, and research reactors, using a graded approach.

Consultation for this regulatory document is being held on our e-consultation platform.

Visit <https://www.letstalknuclearsafety.ca/regdoc-2-4-2version2> and submit your comments by June 29, 2021.

For more information on the regulatory document, go to <http://nuclearsafety.gc.ca/eng/acts-and-regulations/regulatory-documents/history/regdoc2-4-2.cfm>

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Subject: Updates to REGDOC-2.11, Framework for Radioactive Waste Management and Decommissioning

We published an updated version of a regulatory document explaining our approach to regulating radioactive waste management and decommissioning in Canada. While there are no new requirements, the document was updated to better align with other waste-related regulatory documents published in January 2021.

REGDOC-2.11 includes guidance on:

- all radioactive waste management, including the generation, handling, processing, storage, transport and disposal of radioactive waste
- all phases of decommissioning, including planning, preparation, execution and completion

It's also important to note that as Natural Resources Canada continues its ongoing review of its national radioactive waste policy, our staff will consider additional updates to this document, as required.

For more information about REGDOC-2.11 and the other waste-related regulatory documents, visit our website at <http://nuclearsafety.gc.ca/eng/acts-and-regulations/regulatory-documents/index.cfm#R19>.

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Subject: Response to article by the Globe and Mail

On March 23, 2021 the Globe and Mail published an article titled “Nuclear regulator overlooked puzzling inspection data when renewing licence for Pickering plant, documents show.” While the article demonstrates the complexities of nuclear regulation, it is important to clarify that any licensing decision by the Commission prioritizes the safety of Canadians and the environment.

In 2018, the independent Commission granted the Pickering Nuclear Generating Station (NGS) a licence to continue to operate until December 2024 as long as safety requirements continued to be met. As with any licensing or relicensing application, this decision was not made lightly and at no time was any data overlooked in this decision.

The Commission listened to and considered the information presented by scientific and licensing experts on the safety assessment of the NGS, in addition to the perspectives presented by stakeholders, Indigenous groups and the public over the five-day hearing.

Regardless of the applicant or their application, as the regulator we’re responsible for challenging the information received to ensure licensees are operating safely. To be clear, whenever something is questionable we follow up on it, tenaciously, to make sure it does not compromise safety.

Read more in our response to the Globe and Mail

at <https://www.nuclearsafety.gc.ca/eng/resources/news-room/letters/response-globe-and-mail-2021.cfm>

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Subject: Upcoming webinars

To help reduce the spread of COVID-19, all in-person CNSC seminars have been suspended. However, we continue engaging and informing the public through expert-led virtual webinars.

We’re holding several webinars this spring on various projects and initiatives.

Here's our schedule for March and April:

- March 24: Near Surface Disposal Facility/In Situ Decommissioning: CNSC's Licensing Regulatory Review Process and Technical Assessments
- March 31: BWXT Nuclear Energy Canada
- April 6: RAD Women in Canada webinar on women in STEM
- April 7: Whiteshell Reactor #1
- April 8: BWXT Medical Inc.
- April 9 and 12: REGDOC-2.9.2, Controlling Releases to the Environment
- April 13: Nuclear Security Regulations
- April 20: Darlington New Nuclear Project
- April 22: Near Surface Disposal Facility/In Situ Decommissioning: Waste Classification and Characterization

We remain committed to maximizing the openness and transparency of our work, and continue to use various means of communication to share information and engage with Indigenous peoples, non-governmental organizations and stakeholders.

Visit our website regularly, as events are added and schedules may change. For more information on webinars and to register, go to <http://nuclearsafety.gc.ca/eng/stay-connected/get-involved/meet-the-nuclear-regulator/index.cfm>

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Subject: Updated guidance for environmental impact statements

We updated the Generic Guidelines for the Preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement. These guidelines explain how to prepare an environmental impact statement for any project that requires an environmental assessment.

In the new version, we modified the document's structure to improve flow and added extracts from relevant sections of the recently amended REGDOC-2.9.1, Environmental Protection: Environmental Principles, Assessments and Protection Measures, for quick reference. References to the Impact Assessment Agency of Canada's technical guidance and to policies for the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, 2012 were added for clarity.

If you have questions about these guidelines or the environmental assessment process, contact cncs.ea-ee.ccsn@canada.ca.

Info: <http://nuclearsafety.gc.ca/eng/resources/environmental-assessments/ceaa-2012-generic-eis-guidelines/index.cfm>