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To: [Deep Geologic Repository Project/ Projet de stockage de déchets radioactifs\[CEAAVACEE\]](#)
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Ontario Power Generation's characterization and inventory of the wastes remains incomplete.

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To the Deep Geologic Repository Project
Project Manager
Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency
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Dear Sir or Madam,

Please do not allow this proposed deep storage of nuclear waste on the shores of Lake Huron, or anywhere near any of the Great Lakes. This is a foolish plan that puts the drinking water of millions of people at risk for the eternity of foreseeable human history.

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The Project is not supported by the Saugeen Ojibway Nation; Ontario Power Generation has previously stated that it will not proceed without the support of the Saugeen Ojibway Nation.

The rate at which gas will be generated by deteriorating metal waste containers is still unknown. This is important because these gas pressures can cause fracturing that could speed the release of radionuclides out to the biosphere.

The chemical stability of some wastes is uncertain over time. Many of these materials can stay toxic for hundreds or thousands of years.

Many of the 'design' decisions have not yet been made, including important features like the seal for the vertical shafts that connect the underground storage with the environment.

The only example the Ontario Power Generation offered of a similar facility, the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant in New Mexico, is no longer operating after an underground fire and loss of containment resulted in radioactive releases to the surface in 2014.

Management of the wastes through placement underground will cost approximately four times more than above ground storage.

Ontario Power Generation's proposal in 2011 was for 200,000 meters, but in August 2013 they acknowledged on public record that they intend to double the amount of

waste and will seek a license amendment after the project approval. so the actual amounts are yet unknown.

154 municipalities representing more than 20 million people have passed resolutions opposing this waste repository. There is large and growing public opposition to this shortsighted plan.

Please do not put the largest reserves of drinking water in North America at risk.
please veto this plan!

Thank you,

Linda Voith
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