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Ms. Laurie Swami  
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Subject: Ontario Power Generation (OPG) Scope of Work and Proposed Response Dates for Information Request (IR) Package #12

Dear Ms. Swami:

Thank you for your letter of December 4, 2013, in which you detail the scope of work and the proposed response date for each information request in Package #12.

The Panel has one comment on the detailed scope of work for the OPG information request responses. Regarding EIS-12-513, the "DGR in granite" alternative should include analysis of distinctly different surface water receiving environments, including a boreal wetland, a stream system with several stream orders, and a large lake system (analogous to a Great Lake).

The dates provided for the responses are acceptable. If possible, however, the Panel would appreciate receiving the response to IR EIS-12-510 earlier than March 28, 2014 – especially for surface water, hydrology (shallow groundwater) and noise. Submission of the response to IR EIS-12-510 in stages may be appropriate.

For your information, the Panel will provide an opportunity for public input into the review of the OPG responses to IR Package #12. The Panel intends to allow the public a four-week period to comment on the OPG responses once the last response has been received. Comments from the public will be restricted to the responses to the IRs in Package #12. The Panel anticipates allowing comments by means of written submission only and will issue directions to the public in this regard at a later date.

The Panel will also invite the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission, other government departments and agencies, and Aboriginal groups to review the OPG responses to IR Package #12. The timeframe and directions for these reviews would be the same as those for the public.

Please do not hesitate to contact either of the Joint Review Panel Co-Managers, Kelly McGee at 613-947-3710 or Debra Myles at 613-957-0626, if you have any questions on this response.

Sincerely,

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