

June 5, 2014

Mr. Gary Lipinski
President
Métis Nation of Ontario
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Dear Mr. Lipinski:

The Joint Review Panel has scheduled additional public hearing days to address the subjects of information requests issued by the Panel since November 2013. The hearing will commence on September 9, 2014, and will continue for approximately two weeks at the Royal Canadian Legion in Kincardine, Ontario. Please see the enclosed [Public Notice](#) and [Amended Public Hearing Procedures](#) for further details.

The subjects to be addressed at the additional public hearing days are as follows:

1. Methodology used to determine the significance of adverse environmental effects
2. Updates to the geoscientific verification plan
3. Expansion plans for the DGR project
4. Relative risk analysis of alternative means of carrying out the project
5. Implications of revisions to the reference waste inventory
6. Applicability of recent incidents at the Waste Isolation Pilot Plant (WIPP) to the safety case for the DGR project

The Joint Review Panel would like to thank the Métis Nation of Ontario for their participation to date in the review process for the DGR. As with the public hearing held in September 2013, it is of utmost importance to the Panel that the hearing be as accessible and respectful of Aboriginal cultures and interests as possible. Accordingly, the Panel has directed its Secretariat to engage with Aboriginal representatives to achieve this objective. One of the Panel Co-Managers, Kelly McGee or Debra Myles, will contact your representative in the coming weeks in this regard.

Thank you again for the engagement of the Métis Nation of Ontario in the Joint Review Panel process. The Panel Members look forward to the participation of the Métis Nation of Ontario in the additional public hearing days.

Sincerely,

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Chair, Deep Geologic Repository Joint Review Panel

cc. Dr. Jamie Archibald, Joint Review Panel Member
Dr. Gunter Mueke, Joint Review Panel Member