

Toronto Community Liaison Committee (CLC) Meeting Record

Meeting Date: June 19, 2025

BWXT NEC: Andy Collyer, Director, Fuel Operations
Monifa Miller, Senior Director, Corporate Affairs & Enterprise Initiatives
Kathleen Augustin, Manager, CO Communications & Community Relations
Vera Carter, Manager, EHS & Licensing
Krissy Edwards, Communications Specialist

CLC Members: Roger Desrochers (representative for Toronto Police Service), Novlette Evans, Bryce Moroz, Jose Santano, Dr. G. Sepczynska

Absent: None

Guests: Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO):

- Chantelle Gascon, Municipal Relations Manager
- Kevin Jeffrey, Municipal Relations Associate
- Ulf Stahmer, Senior Transportation Engineer

Action Items	Status
Guest speakers specific to Toronto site (NWMO, Creative Fire).	Open
BWXT to research TD Salsa on St Clair, Taste of Little Italy, Geary Art Crawl.	Open
BWXT to consider distributing information through the Toronto Public Library and local community bulletin boards.	Open
BWXT to share information about Small Modular Reactors (SMRs), plans for nuclear waste, and facts/links about the nuclear industry at community events.	Ongoing

New Action Items from June 19, 2025	Status
BWXT to look into opportunities for engagement at the Polish Festival.	Closed
BWXT to share NWMO presentation with CLC members.	Closed
BWXT to look into adding educational content to future public surveys.	Open

Discussion Notes:

Augustin welcomed CLC members to the meeting. Edwards provided a land acknowledgment and safety moment. Augustin then reviewed open and ongoing actions from previous meetings.

Next, Edwards provided an update on community engagement efforts.

Edwards asked CLC members to share ideas and feedback for enhancing community engagement. CLC Member Sepczynska suggested BWXT try to secure a booth at the Polish Festival this September. CLC Member Moroz noted that the Toronto virtual tour was very well done. Augustin encouraged CLC members to join the new community Facebook group for updates and discussions.

Next, Augustin introduced guest speakers from Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO), who provided an overview presentation that included an introduction to NWMO, current status of used fuel, details of the deep geological repository for used nuclear fuel in Canada, transportation planning and safety, and NWMO's new mandate. A question-and-answer period followed the presentation.

Carter shared insights from the 2024 Annual Compliance Report (ACR), a detailed report which demonstrates that BWXT has successfully met the requirements of the Nuclear Safety & Control Act. The ACR, which is posted to nec.bwxt.com, outlines performance in the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission's (CNSC) 14 Safety & Control Areas and outlines performance in the Public Information & Disclosure Program. Carter noted that the document is submitted to CNSC annually and reviewed by CNSC Staff. She shared that BWXT, and other licensees participate in an annual meeting with the CNSC. Carter shared that the estimated annual public dose from 2024 was 137.8 μSv (0.138 mSv). In comparison to the 1 mSv (1,000 μSv) per year effective dose limit to a member of the public, doses from the operations are low at 13.8%. She shared that the company is looking into the increased public dose and that storage locations, production practices, background locations, and measurement variability are being reviewed. Carter noted throughout 2024 there were zero action level exceedances and all emissions to air, water and soil were well below regulatory limits.

Next the group focused on the discussion topic of community surveying. Augustin began by sharing an overview of the previous survey campaigns, including the history and methodology. She noted that the first survey was conducted in 2018 by Ipsos, an independent research firm. This initial data provided baseline community feedback shortly after the acquisition of the company in December

2016. BWXT committed to surveying every two years and has done so since. Augustin noted that the previous surveying was delivered online and by telephone (landline) and shared that postcards were mailed to neighbours and shared via email updates and on the company website. In 2024, BWXT used targeted social media advertising to spread the word further. Augustin shared that the number of responses increased year over year since 2018 and shared that the company made the decision in 2024 to remove the phone (landline) option since there was a decline in usage based on feedback from Ipsos and from prior survey results. Augustin noted that the objectives of the surveying from 2018-2024 were to:

- Gain awareness, knowledge and familiarity of BWXT operations in the local community.
- Gauge impressions of BWXT as an organization, including attention to safety, community engagement, job creation, and more.
- Identify recall and awareness of BWXT communications in the community, if these have been made available to residents.

Augustin shared the results of the recent 2024 survey. She shared that the sample sizes continue to be smaller, but that 2024 increased. She shared that surveying has been helpful for basic information but not helpful in identifying improvements or gaps. It is also difficult to compare data in 2024 to prior years based on the change in methodology. Augustin sought feedback on potential surveying methods. CLC Member Moroz suggested adding educational content about nuclear energy, including nuclear medicine, in future surveys. Collyer supported this idea and proposed providing links for further information. CLC Member Sepczynska supported the suggestion of offering two distinct surveys: one for individuals with base knowledge and a second for those new to nuclear. Augustin mentioned that follow-up surveys could be sent to e-update subscribers during events for additional feedback.

Augustin then asked CLC members to share feedback and suggestions for discussion topics and community engagement. CLC Member's Moroz and Sepczynska praised the good work being done and encouraged continuity.

The meeting concluded with a review of upcoming meeting dates.