

Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
Resolutions

9 June 2005

Resolution: B05/06/09-09

Re: Nuclear Fuel Waste

Moved: Paul Kaludjak

Seconded: Pita Aatami

WHEREAS the relationship between Inuit and their environment continues to be a fundamental element of Inuit culture and identity;

WHEREAS the environment is integral to Inuit social, cultural and economic development and well-being;

WHEREAS it is difficult to separate the health of the environment from the health of Arctic people;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami and the four Inuit Land Claim Regions (Nunavut, Inuvialuit Settlement Region, Nunavik, and Nunatsiavut) are in complete opposition to the storage/disposal and transport of Nuclear Fuel Waste in the Canadian Arctic and specifically speaking in the four Land Claims Regions (incl. marine areas and aerospace);

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami and the four Inuit Land Claim Regions (Nunavut, Inuvialuit Settlement Region, Nunavik, and Nunatsiavut) are in complete opposition to the storage/disposal and transport of Nuclear Fuel Waste in areas adjacent to Inuit owned lands, on Inuit co-managed lands and land governed by Inuit Land Claim Agreements;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami supports the Government of Canada in making the necessary steps to conduct research and develop alternative energy sources in Canada;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami supports the Government of Canada in encouraging other nations to restrict the transportation of Nuclear Fuel Waste across international boundaries;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT Nuclear Fuel Waste continues to be stored at the existing reactor sites until a way is found to safely dispose of this waste without endangering the environment, human health and safety of all Canadians.

In favour: unanimous

Against: 0

Abstentions: 0

Carried: June 09, 2005