

## TOWN OF AJAX INTER-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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FROM:	Martha A. Pettit, Manager, Legislative Services/Deputy Clerk
SUBJECT:	Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) -Draft Study Report: Choosing a Way Forward
DATE:	September 27, 2005

The following resolution was passed by the General Government Committee at its meeting held September 22, 2005 and endorsed by Ajax Town Council at its meeting held September 26, 2005.

## **Recommendation As Amended**

- (1) That the Town of Ajax has no objection to the Adaptive Phased Management approach, subject to NWMO addressing the following issues to the satisfaction of the Town:
  - (a) That NWMO provide additional information on scenarios related to potential delays in the process of selecting a central site for the Adaptive Phased Management approach and assess the impact of any delays on the capacity for used nuclear fuel storage at existing reactor sites;
  - (b) That the Town of Ajax continue to be engaged in the ongoing decisionmaking process for the implementation of the Adaptive Phased Management approach – particularly for the initial phase of existing reactor storage and transportation to the central site;
  - (c) That the Town of Ajax receive appropriate financial compensation and be part of the process that establishes a strategy to allocate financial compensation to host and affected communities, based upon the number of years that the Town of Ajax has acted, and will continue to act, as a host community.
  - (d) That NWMO provide funding during the implementation phase so that affected communities (such as the Town of Ajax) can continue to engage independent consulting advice on the potential impacts of the program;
  - (e) That NWMO be encouraged to seek ways to expedite the safe removal of used nuclear fuel from existing reactor sites, during the implementation of the Adaptive Phased Management approach;

- (f) That NWMO clarify its roles and responsibilities as to when they are responsible for the used nuclear fuel and what are the roles and responsibilities of the current used fuel owners; and
- (g) That the Town of Ajax be advised of assessments on the potential impact of scenarios related to the future of the Pickering Nuclear Power Plant reactors (when changes such as life extension, new reactor fuels, etc. are contemplated) which could affect the capacity of existing reactor site storage and future transportation requirements;
- (2) That the Town of Ajax encourages the Canadian government to make a timely decision in selecting the appropriate option for the future management of Canada's used nuclear fuel so that NWMO can begin the implementation phase, find a willing host community and maintain the momentum established over the past 2 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> years; and
- (3) That the NWMO continue to monitor the used fuel management approaches in other countries as outlined in the Draft Study Report.

It is my understanding that you will do the necessary follow-up with respect to this item. Thank you for your prompt attention.

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