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PHAI announces 2016 Port Granby Project Citizen Liaison Group

Clarington, Ontario – The Port Hope Area Initiative Management Office (PHAI MO) has named its 2016 Port Granby Project Citizen Liaison Group (CLG), after a public recruitment campaign that generated more applications than ever before.

Five new members have been selected from a pool of eight applicants to serve on the volunteer group that provides the PHAI MO with community perspectives on the cleanup and safe long-term management of historic low-level radioactive waste in Port Granby. Newly selected members are Eric Clarke, Ken Hargreaves, Rae Coakwell, Stephan Brough and Karin Cashin. They join four returning CLG members to serve a two year term.

“It’s encouraging to see such a high level of interest from the community to participate on the CLG,” said Marty Kapitan, PHAI manager, Legal Agreement Programs. “This diverse group of skilled individuals offers input and ideas that benefit the community and the PHAI.”

The 2016 term was launched on February 20 with a day-long orientation session that included presentations and discussions about the projects and role of the CLG, followed by guided site tours of the major remediation sites in Port Hope and the Port Granby area of Southeast Clarington.

The CLG meets a minimum of four times a year and brings together a broad cross-section of people with interests in business, education, health, science and general community life. Members have the opportunity to participate in activities – such as environmental monitoring field demonstrations – that enhance their technical understanding of the projects and in PHAI events, such as information sessions held last fall in Port Hope and Clarington.

The PHAI conducts recruitment campaigns every year; all applications are evaluated by a third-party independent consultant. To learn more about the CLG, visit www.phai.ca, phone the PHAI Management Office at 905.885.0291 or drop in to the Project Information Exchange at 115 Toronto Road in Port Hope.

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