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Port Hope Residents' Group to Observe Trial Cleanup

Port Hope, Ont. (September 30, 2010) – A panel of local residents has been created by the Port Hope Area Initiative Management Office (PHAI MO) to observe the trial resurvey and remediation program currently underway in the community. The six members of the group were selected to represent a broad spectrum of local interests.

“The observer group will have an opportunity to review how contractors are conducting resurvey and remediation activities in the trial project, under the supervision of the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Management Office on behalf of the PHAI,” says Bob Neufeld, Manager, Stakeholder Relations and Communications, PHAI MO. “The trial project and input from the group will help us refine the methodologies and procedures that will be implemented in the overall cleanup phase, including the resurvey of all properties in Ward One, which is scheduled to begin in 2012.”

Group members will be given recent survey results on a private property that has been selected for remediation in the Small Scale Site Resurvey and Remediation Cost Assessment (SRCA) trial. During several sessions at the property, they will observe and report on the conduct of physical cleanup work. The group will consolidate their impressions in a public report which they will present to the PHAI MO and the Municipality of Port Hope by the end of November 2010.

The public members of the group are:

- Mike Smith (Port Hope resident and Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority employee);
- Jack Goering (Port Hope environmentalist and initial proponent of the observer group);
- Andy Johncox (member, Port Hope Community Health Concerns Committee);
- Wendy Giroux (Manager, Port Hope and District Chamber of Commerce); and
- Matt Dobie and Emily Steadman (Students, Port Hope High School).

One representative each from the PHAI MO, the Low-Level Radioactive Waste Management Office and the Municipality of Port Hope will serve as information resources and will assist the group during their visits to the demonstration site.

The Port Hope Area Initiative is dedicated to the cleanup and long-term management of historic low-level radioactive waste in the municipalities of Port Hope and Clarington. The PHAI MO is a partnership of Natural Resources Canada, Atomic Energy of Canada Limited and Public Works, and Government Services Canada.

ABOUT THE PHAI MO

The Port Hope Area Initiative Management Office (PHAI MO) is responsible to carry out the safe cleanup, transportation and long-term management of historic low-level radioactive waste in the municipalities of Port Hope and Clarington. The PHAI MO is a partnership of Natural Resources Canada, Atomic Energy of Canada Limited and Public Works and Government Services Canada.

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