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**Citizen Liaison Group recruitment well underway**  
*Local citizens are encouraged to join the conversation*

**Port Hope, Ontario (December 1, 2015)** – The Port Hope Area Initiative (PHAI) Management Office is accepting applications for the 2016 Port Hope Project Citizen Liaison Group (CLG). The deadline for applications is December 18.

The CLG offers a forum for volunteer members and PHAI Management Office staff to exchange information and ideas about the cleanup and long-term safe management of the historic low-level radioactive waste in Port Hope. No special knowledge about the project is required to apply.

Members attend a minimum of four meetings per year, hosted by the PHAI Management Office. The CLG provides an opportunity for area residents who are interested in the project to deepen their awareness and share that knowledge with the community.

“CLG members are able to voice their perspectives as they learn about the many aspects of the clean-up project,” said Marty Kapitan, Manager of Legal Agreement Programs. “Joining the CLG gives community members a unique opportunity to share their views and suggestions directly with PHAI staff. We encourage them to spread their enhanced understanding with people they know throughout the community.”

Applicants may apply to sit as a citizen-at-large or as a representative of a local community organization. Membership is initially for a two-year term with the option to renew for a maximum of four years.

For more information or to apply online, visit the PHAI website at [www.phai.ca](http://www.phai.ca) or call 905.885.0291.

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**ABOUT THE PHAI**

The Port Hope Area Initiative (PHAI) is a federal environmental clean-up program. Its mandate is the remediation and local, long-term, safe management of historic low-level radioactive waste in Port Hope and the Port Granby area of Southeast Clarington. The Port Hope Area Initiative Management Office, led by Canadian Nuclear Laboratories, is implementing these projects on behalf of the Government of Canada.

**ABOUT THE PORT HOPE PROJECT**

The Port Hope Project involves the cleanup of approximately 1.2 million cubic metres of historic low-level radioactive waste from various sites in Port Hope, the construction of an engineered aboveground mound where the waste will be safely contained, and the long-term maintenance and monitoring of the facility.

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