



**Toronto Community Liaison Committee  
Meeting Record**

**Meeting Date:** April 11, 2023

**BWXT:** Monifa Miller, Senior Director, Corporate Affairs  
 Ted Richardson, Director, Fuel Operations  
 Carlos Reyes, Specialist, Communications & Community Relations

**CLC Members:** Jose Santano, Jamie Ker

**CLC Absent:** Robert Church, Pedro Correira, Roger Desrochers Heather Dougherty, Pippa Feinstein, Hannah Fleisher, Linda Irvine, Dave McNee, Brice Moroz, Jennifer Wickenden

**Guests:** None

**Action Items:**

Action Item	Status
1. BWXT to share more education about the radiation levels and the meaning of numbering system.	Open
2. BWXT to review door-do-door approach and plan with CLC.	Closed
3. BWXT to share information about pellet manufacturing and the safety practices that BWXT enforces at BWXT's Toronto facility, in compliance with CNSC regulations.	Open
4. BWXT to consider holding a Toronto Community BBQ	Open

**Discussion Notes:**

Miller commenced the meeting by welcoming CLC members and briefly introducing herself. She shared that, as a new BWXT employee, she is taking the time to learn more about the Toronto community and BWXT's community relations program. She then invited members to introduce themselves and share their expectations of being a member of the CLC.

The group engaged in a round table conversation about how the community near BWXT's Toronto facility has been changing in the last few years. Reyes noted that a lot of people will be moving into the twin-tower condominium complex across from the facility in a short span of time.

Miller asked what the CLC is hearing in the community about BWXT Toronto.

The CLC shared that many community members are unaware of the facility, despite the communications effort by BWXT to mail out print newsletters and mailers.

Miller then reviewed the meeting agenda and shared a land acknowledgement. She also shared a safety message. No alarm was scheduled or planned for the evening.

Miller noted that a co-chair position was available on the CLC then reviewed the actions register. Miller asked about the proposed door-to-door approach proposed last year and whether this was still a priority. The CLC recalled this was a potential action to introduce BWXT to the community, that was on hold due to the pandemic. Miller suggested reconsidering the approach, considering the resources needed to carry out such an in-person campaign. She offered to consider other approaches to bring for the committee's consideration.

A CLC member asked why BWXT holds such large-scale Emergency Response Drill every year.

Richardson replied that our licence with the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) requires that BWXT run one Emergency Response Drill per CNSC-regulated facility per year.

Miller asked CLC members whether BWXT Communications should continue educating the public about nuclear and radiation levels.

The CLC shared that this type of information is necessary and helpful to the community. The CLC also expressed an interest in learning more about pellet manufacturing and the safety practices at BWXT's Toronto facility in compliance with CNSC regulations.

Richardson noted that, in Canada, we use natural uranium and not enriched uranium.

A CLC member noted that BWXT keeps high-tech jobs within the community and asked why there was so much focus on BWXT facilities and not on other industries.

Miller responded that, while public perception about nuclear has come a long way, there is still a significant gap in nuclear literacy. Miller added that there needs to be more communication about the benefits of nuclear, including innovations in nuclear medicine.

Richardson added that Canada is one of the biggest producers of medical isotopes. BWXT Peterborough manufactures the target capsule and the positioner used in isotope production. Miller noted that it is important for the nuclear industry, including BWXT, to share more information about this benefit of nuclear technology with the public.

Miller provided an overview of recent and upcoming community engagement activities. She shared that the 2022 Annual Compliance Report will be published in late spring and will be available on the website. Miller reminded everyone that BWXT Communications continues to deliver electronic and print newsletters.

The CLC asked about having the community BBQ at this meeting. Miller noted that this activity would be considered for this year.

Miller mentioned that BWXT continues to donate to the Oasis Dufferin Community Centre. For general information sharing, she added that BWXT Peterborough will welcome grade nine Indigenous female students and Chief Keith Knott of Curve Lake First Nation in May and June, respectively. Also, earlier in the month, BWXT employees from Peterborough participated as judges at the 54th Annual Peterborough Regional Science Fair event at Trent University.

Miller asked if there were any additional questions or comments.

The CLC had no questions or comments.

Miller thanked everyone for attending and adjourned the meeting.