

2022 INTERVIEW SYNOPSIS

PICKERING NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL
DARLINGTON NUCLEAR GENERATING STATION COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL

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PURPOSE

- Touch base with CAC's
- Gain information to refresh CAC's
- What are we hearing from the broader community?
- What topics should frame future community dialogue?

INTERVIEW METHODOLOGY

- Interviews conducted by CAC support team: Dave, Francis and Eileen
- Independent of OPG involvement
- Series of questions that framed the dialogue
- Received both written and verbal comments
- 18 of 25 members responded

RESPONSE

- OPG/ Nuclear Awareness Understanding
- Important CAC Subjects
- Ideas for Refreshing the CAC's
- Topics for the Report to the Community

OPG / Nuclear Awareness and Understanding

- Generally, OPG does not come up as an issue for the general public in Durham Region
- Good knowledge of OPG and Pickering and Darlington Plants among engaged groups
- Lack of awareness and understanding within the general public about most issues – not just nuclear
- Some confusion about the future of commercial operations
- Active anti-nuclear advocacy influencing some groups

Important CAC Subjects

- Current and future plant status
- Information about new technologies such as SMR
- Future of Pickering Plant
- Socio-economic implications of future changes affecting Pickering, Clarington and other Durham Region communities
- Safety and emergency preparedness – particularly the preparedness of local hospitals and institutions
- Groundwater, health and storage of used fuel

Ideas for Refreshing the CAC's

- Direct CAC interaction with local municipal, regional and provincial politicians
- Members to prepare before the meetings
- Addition of new members representing greater diversity
- OPG asking CAC members specific questions
- OPG to tell story and then explain with technical details
- Occasional workshop
- In-person meetings and an earlier start
- Orientation of new members

Topics for the Report to the Community

- Darlington New Nuclear SMR status
- OPG Durham College, Ontario Tech University partnership
- Isotope production launch
- Darlington Refurb
- Emergency preparedness and environmental monitoring
- Pickering Operations to 2026

COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS?