

Quarterly Neighborhood Letter

In sponsorship with the Concerned Citizens for a Clean Pickering (CCCP) neighborhood

September 1st, 1983:

Dear Concerned Citizen of Pickering:

As you may be aware, a short loss of power to your home a few days ago was the result of an accident inflicted in the Unit 2 reactor core at the Pickering Nuclear Generating Station. This letter is in response to a growing concern about the accident, and the overall safety of neighboring communities in the surrounding area of the power generating facility.

We would like to assure every individual that all hazardous materials had been contained during the course of the accident and the likelihood of health hazards from elevated radiation levels is non-existent. The design of the CANDU reactors at Pickering NGS makes it nearly impossible to achieve a state of criticality great enough to affect the health of both the employees of Ontario Hydro and the citizens of Pickering and of towns of close proximity.

Our main concern is to provide you, the energy consumer, with the safest and most reliable form of electricity generation at no cost to your well-being, or the well-being of your families and loved ones for years to come. If you have any questions or concerns about Pickering NGS or your safety, feel free to visit the Pickering Nuclear Learning Centre in person, or call by phone to learn more about our nuclear generating facility.

Sincerely,

David Ryan, Mayor of Pickering