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**Le Conseil consultatif sur les normes  
de qualité et d'analyse de l'eau  
potable**

## **Public Consultation Meeting on Ontario's Drinking Water Quality Standard for Tritium**

March 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2008  
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

The Sutton Place Hotel, Royal Sutton Ballroom, 955 Bay Street,  
Toronto, Ontario

### ***Guidance to Consultation Participants***

Thank you for your interest in the Ontario Drinking Water Advisory Council's (ODWAC) public consultation meeting on Ontario's Drinking Water Quality Standard for Tritium. The purpose of this meeting is to provide a wide range of organizations and individuals with the opportunity to present their comments on the Standard to the Council. Your input will help shape the Council's advice to the Ontario Minister of Environment on this topic.

### **How to Participate**

Consultation participants can participate in the consultation process by:

- Making a 10 minute presentation to the Council on March 26<sup>th</sup> or 27<sup>th</sup>, 2008;
- Attending the consultation meeting on March 26<sup>th</sup> and/or 27<sup>th</sup>, 2008; and/or
- Providing written comments to Council by March 28<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

A Backgrounder on ODWAC's public consultation process on Ontario's Drinking Water Quality Standard for Tritium has been developed to provide key background information to consultation participants, including information on Ontario's current Standard for Tritium in drinking water, as well as the role of the Council. The Backgrounder is available at:

[www.odwac.gov.on.ca/standards\\_review/tritium/tritium\\_consultation.htm](http://www.odwac.gov.on.ca/standards_review/tritium/tritium_consultation.htm).

Information on preparing your presentation or written submission is provided below.

## **Presentation Scheduling and Format**

To request a presentation time and register for the meeting, please visit ODWAC's website at:

[www.odwac.gov.on.ca/standards\\_review/tritium/tritium\\_consultation.htm](http://www.odwac.gov.on.ca/standards_review/tritium/tritium_consultation.htm).

All presentation requests should be made by February 22, 2008. Please note that presentation time slots are limited. The Council will schedule presentations to hear from as broad a range of perspectives as possible in the time available. Preference will be given to individuals and organizations who have not met previously with ODWAC on the topic of Tritium in Drinking Water.

ODWAC will confirm the list of presenters by February 25, 2008. The meeting agenda will be posted on the ODWAC website and distributed to all meeting registrants by February 29, 2008.

Confirmed presenters are requested to submit advance copies of their presentations to ODWAC by March 14, 2008. Presentations may include written documents (a 5-page maximum is suggested) or PowerPoint presentations.

At the meeting, the presentations will be followed by 5 minutes for questions of clarification from Council Members. The time limit on presentations has been set to enable the Council to hear from as many presenters as possible during the two-day meeting.

## **Key Discussion Questions**

The Council is particularly interested in your answers to the following questions, but would welcome any other comments on the topic of Tritium in drinking water that you may have:

- Is the current Ontario Drinking Water Quality Standard for Tritium acceptable?
- If not, what is the basis for finding the current Standard unacceptable?
- If you propose a different Standard, what is your rationale?

## **Written Submissions**

We invite you to submit your comments in writing to ODWAC using the contact information provided below. As with presentations, a maximum length of 5 pages is suggested.

The deadline for written submissions is March 28, 2008.

## For more Information

For more information, please visit ODWAC's website at [www.odwac.gov.on.ca](http://www.odwac.gov.on.ca) or contact:

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*Pour obtenir des renseignements en français,  
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**Information will be collected in accordance with the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*. With the exception of personal information, all comments will become part of the public record.**