#### **OVERVIEW**

This report summarizes Pickering Nuclear's environmental emissions data for Q2 2017. Pickering Nuclear Generating Station has six operating reactor units and a total generation capacity of 3,094 megawatts. The station is located in the City of Pickering in Durham Region.

This report includes:

- Radioactive Effluents: Releases to air and water remained well below the regulatory limits.
- Pickering Waste Management Facility: Monitoring results for air emissions, water, and perimeter dose rate confirmed the integrity of the facility.
- Spills to the Environment: There was one spill to the environment that was reportable to a regulatory authority. The spill resulted in negligible environmental impact.

Note: The contents of this report are consistent with environmental data OPG is required to provide to the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) on a quarterly basis. These reporting requirements are periodically revised.

#### ENVIRONMENTAL EMISSIONS MANAGEMENT

OPG has an environmental management program to ensure its activities are conducted in a manner that minimizes any adverse impact on the public and the environment. OPG's environmental program conforms to CNSC requirements for environmental protection and the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) standard for environmental management systems. The quality assurance programs for OPG's chemistry and health physics laboratories conform to the requirements of national and international standards.

As part of OPG's environmental management program, OPG has established an effluent monitoring and control program that is based on the "ALARA" principle. That is, measures are in place to ensure emissions to the environment are kept As Low As Reasonably Achievable while taking social and economic factors into account.

#### MONITORING OF RADIOACTIVE EFFLUENTS

#### **Release Limits & Action Levels**

OPG uses radiation dose limits specified in federal legislation to derive Release Limits for the radionuclides that may be released to air and water from its nuclear facilities. Pickering Nuclear must maintain its radiological emissions well below these limits to meet the terms of its operating licence.

OPG also sets Action Levels that are much lower than the Release Limits to identify and control emissions before a limit can be reached.

#### **Performance Results**

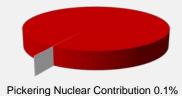
Pickering Nuclear's emissions to the environment are monitored to track performance. For Q2 2017, Pickering Nuclear's radiological emissions to air and water remained well below the Release Limits and no Action Levels were

#### Public Radiation Dose Data

The radiation dose to the public resulting from the operation of Pickering Nuclear is a very small fraction of the estimated annual average background radiation dose around the station.

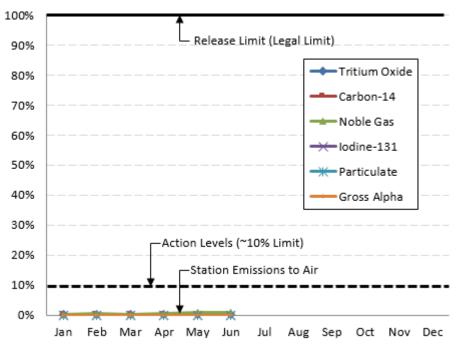
Annual environmental monitoring program results for Pickering Nuclear, including an assessment of radiation dose to the public, are available at: www.opg.com/news-andmedia/Pages/reports.aspx

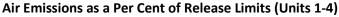
Natural Background Radiation 99.9%

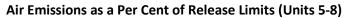


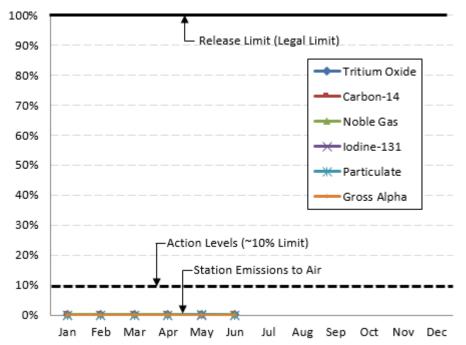


exceeded. (Appendix A, Tables A.1, A.2 and A.3) The following graphs show Pickering Nuclear's radiological emissions for the year to date as a percentage of the Release Limits. Note: Units 2 and 3 are in a safe shutdown state.



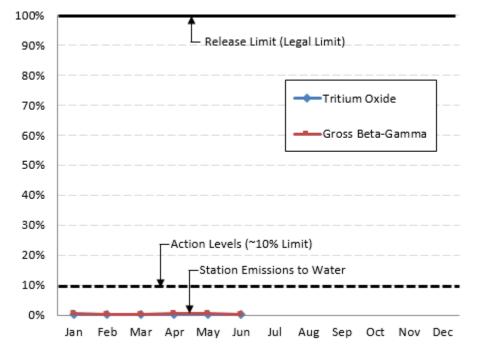




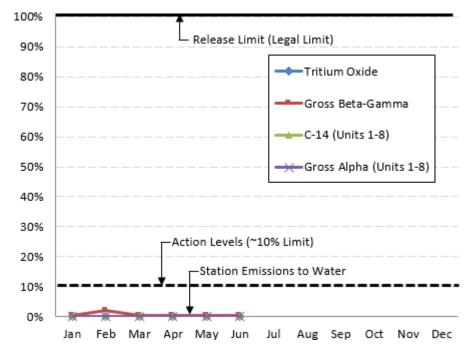


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#### Water Emissions as a Per Cent of Release Limits (Units 1-4)



Water Emissions as a Per Cent of Release Limits (Units 5-8)



#### **PICKERING WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY**

Radiological air emissions, water, and radiation dose monitoring requirements for the Pickering Waste Management Facility were met in Q2 2017 and no issues were identified. (Appendix A, Tables A.4, A.5 and A.6)

#### **RELEASES OF HAZARDOUS SUBSTANCES (NON-RADIOACTIVE)**

Pickering Nuclear complies with numerous regulatory requirements for controlling and monitoring releases of hazardous substances to the environment. Pickering Nuclear reports releases of hazardous substances to Environment Canada's National Pollutant Release Inventory (NPRI). Tools and resources for accessing, analyzing and interpreting NPRI data are available on the NPRI website. Pickering Nuclear's carbon dioxide emissions are well below the threshold for mandatory reporting to federal and provincial authorities. Greenhouse gas data and information for reporting facilities are available on the Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reporting Program (GHGRP) website.

#### **SPILLS TO THE ENVIRONMENT**

OPG has extensive programs to ensure the risk of spills to the environment is effectively assessed and managed. All spills are reported by OPG to the appropriate federal, provincial and municipal authorities as required.

OPG classifies its reportable spills as Category A, B or C spills based on the actual or potential impacts. Category A spills are considered very serious due to the scale of injury or damage, health effects, or safety impairment. Category B spills are considered serious due to localized injury or impacts to property. Category C spills are all other reportable spills that are less serious than Category A and B spills.

Pickering Nuclear had one reportable spill in Q2 2017. On June 13, 2017, lube oil was spilled from the Unit 1 turbine lube oil heat exchanger and was released to Lake Ontario via the floor drainage system. Actions were immediately taken to stop the release and to prevent recurrence. The spill was classified as a Category C spill as it resulted in negligible environmental impact. (Appendix A, Table A.7).



## APPENDIX A

## ENVIRONMENTAL EMISSIONS DATA

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Table A.1: Airborne Radionuclide Releases for Units 1-4

		Tritium (Bq)	Carbon-14 (Bq)	Noble Gas (Bq-MeV)	lodine-131 (Bq)	Particulate (Bq)	Gross Alpha (Bq)
SUMM	ARY: ANNU	AL					
Release (Bq/yea		1.2 x 10 <sup>17</sup>	2.2 x 10 <sup>15</sup>	3.2 x 10 <sup>16</sup>	9.8 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	4.9 x 10 <sup>11</sup>	8.7 x 10 <sup>10</sup>
Total Re of Q2 2	eleases as 017	1.1 x 10 <sup>14</sup>	7.3 x 10 <sup>11</sup>	< 9.0 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	< 4.7 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	< 2.5 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	< 2.2 x 10 <sup>5</sup>
DETAIL	S: WEEKLY <sup>(b</sup>	))					
Action (Bq/we		2.5 x 10 <sup>14</sup>	4.4 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	6.3 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	2.0 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	9.8 x 10 <sup>8</sup>	Not specified <sup>(d)</sup>
Jan.	Week 1	2.1 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.7 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<2.2 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.9 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<7.1 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 2	2.7 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.4 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.3 x 10 <sup>11</sup>	<1.9 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<6.7 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 3	2.5 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.1 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.0 x 10 <sup>11</sup>	<1.8 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<7.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 4	3.9 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.6 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<8.4 x 10 <sup>11</sup>	<1.8 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<6.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 5	7.8 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.8 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<8.4 x 10 <sup>11</sup>	<1.8 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<6.7 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
Feb. <sup>(e)</sup>	Week 6	4.8 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.8 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<3.4 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.7 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<1.2 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 7	4.1 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.2 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<4.3 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.9 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<6.7 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 8	2.7 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	2.4 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<2.1 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.8 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<7.2 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 9	5.6 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	2.9 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<4.7 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.6 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<1.1 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
Mar.	Week 10	2.9 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	4.7 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<2.1 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.6 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<6.6 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 11	3.4 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	4.1 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<2.5 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.6 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<9.1 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 12	5.4 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	3.3 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<1.2 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.9 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<1.0 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 13	6.8 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	3.8 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<1.0 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.6 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<5.6 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
Apr. <sup>(e)</sup>	Week 14	2.8 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	3.1 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<2.2 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.8 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<6.8 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 15	2.8 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	3.7 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<2.7 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.7 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<9.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 16	3.1 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	3.3 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<4.0 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.8 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<1.1 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 17	2.8 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	3.5 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<5.8 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.7 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<5.6 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 18	7.2 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	2.3 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<3.2 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.7 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<6.4 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
May <sup>(e)</sup>	Week 19	3.9 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	4.4 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<5.6 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.8 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<1.6 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 20	3.1 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	2.5 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<5.2 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<2.0 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<8.4 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 21	3.0 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	3.3 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<6.1 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<2.3 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<6.6 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 22	5.7 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	2.3 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<6.6 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.7 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<9.8 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
Jun. <sup>(e)</sup>	Week 23	3.3 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	4.0 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<6.8 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<2.0 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 24	3.5 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	2.1 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<5.9 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.8 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<1.9 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 25	3.8 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	4.6 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<3.8 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<1.7 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<1.6 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>
	Week 26	6.3 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	2.1 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<5.7 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	<2.7 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<1.5 x 10⁵	<8.5 x 10 <sup>3</sup>

(a) The derived Release Limit for a given radionuclide is the release rate of that radionuclide to air or surface water during normal operation of a nuclear facility over the period of a calendar year, which would result in an individual receiving a dose equal to the regulatory annual dose limit for a member of the public.

(b) Analysis of air emissions is conducted weekly to monitor against internal performance targets. Emissions are reported using the fiscal calendar and months contain either four or five weeks. Values prefixed by an "<" indicate that reported results were less than the instrument detection limits.

- (c) Exceedances of Action Levels must be reported by OPG to the CNSC. To prevent an Action Level from being reached, OPG has set Internal Investigation Levels that require emissions to be reviewed when they reach the high end of the normal range. Corrective actions are taken if necessary. There were no CNSC Action Level exceedance events in the second quarter of 2017.
- (d) Action Level for gross alpha is not specified because it is not a routinely monitored radionuclide group at Pickering Nuclear as the activity is below the threshold value for monitoring.
- (e) The increase in noble gas releases in February (weeks 6,7, 9) and April to June (starting week 16) was primarily due to leakage on Unit 4 calandria vault dryers. A team is in place to identify and repair the minor leaks; additional leak repairs are planned for the next outage.

	I	Tritium	Carbon 14	Nahla Cas	ladina 121	Dontioulate	
			Carbon-14	Noble Gas	lodine-131	Particulate	Gross Alpha
C1 18 48 4 4		(Bq)	(Bq)	(Bq-MeV)	(Bq)	(Bq)	(Bq)
	RY: ANNUA	L	[			<b></b>	1
Release (Bq/yea		1.9 x 10 <sup>17</sup>	2.0 x 10 <sup>15</sup>	4.7 x 10 <sup>16</sup>	8.9 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	7.2 x 10 <sup>11</sup>	1.2 x 10 <sup>11</sup>
Total Releases as of Q2 2017		2.0 x 10 <sup>14</sup>	5.7 x 10 <sup>11</sup>	< 1.7 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	< 2.1 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	< 8.0 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	< 3.9 x 10 <sup>5</sup>
DETAILS	: WEEKLY <sup>(b)</sup>						•
Action L (Bq/wee		3.7 x 10 <sup>14</sup>	4.0 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	9.4 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	1.8 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	1.4 x 10 <sup>9</sup>	Not specified <sup>(d)</sup>
Jan.	Week 1	7.1 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.4 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	1.1 x 10 <sup>11</sup>	<7.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<6.7 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 2	4.9 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.4 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	9.4 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.2 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<4.2 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 3	5.2 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	2.0 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	8.7 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<4.1 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 4	3.8 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.9 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	1.1 x 10 <sup>11</sup>	<7.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.0 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 5	9.3 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	2.0 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	8.6 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.0 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
Feb. <sup>(e)</sup>	Week 6	6.8 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	3.0 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	7.0 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<7.4 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 7	6.5 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	2.7 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	6.3 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<3.9 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 8	6.5 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	3.4 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<2.8 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<6.9 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 9	1.1 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	1.8 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	5.0 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.3 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<5.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
Mar. <sup>(e)</sup>	Week 10	1.9 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	2.3 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<5.3 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<4.7 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 11	7.1 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	3.2 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	3.3 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.2 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 12	6.2 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	3.3 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	6.2 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<3.8 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 13	7.3 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	3.0 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	5.6 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<8.4 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<6.9 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
Apr. <sup>(f)</sup>	Week 14	8.3 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	2.0 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	5.0 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<4.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 15	7.1 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	2.2 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	6.4 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<7.2 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 16	1.4 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	1.8 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	5.0 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<8.1 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<4.9 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 17	7.3 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.8 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<6.5 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.1 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<4.1 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 18	8.1 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	2.2 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<4.3 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<6.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
May <sup>(g)</sup>	Week 19	4.3 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	3.3 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.6 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<9.6 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<5.9 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 20	7.3 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	2.2 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<6.7 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<2.4 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<7.9 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 21	5.4 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.8 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	6.5 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<8.1 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<4.9 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 22	7.0 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.5 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	7.0 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<7.7 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>

#### Table A.2: Airborne Radionuclide Releases for Units 5-8

		Tritium (Bq)	Carbon-14 (Bq)	Noble Gas (Bq-MeV)	lodine-131 (Bq)	Particulate (Bq)	Gross Alpha (Bq)
Jun. <sup>(f)</sup>	Week 23	4.8 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.8 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	7.8 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.1 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<5.3 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 24	4.7 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	2.0 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<6.0 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.1 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<5.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 25	5.9 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	1.9 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	8.9 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.0 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<7.8 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>
	Week 26	1.2 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	1.7 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	6.9 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	<7.1 x 10 <sup>4</sup>	<1.6 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	<1.5 x 10 <sup>4</sup>

- (a) The derived Release Limit for a given radionuclide is the release rate of that radionuclide to air or surface water during normal operation of a nuclear facility over the period of a calendar year, which would result in an individual receiving a dose equal to the regulatory annual dose limit for a member of the public.
- (b) Analysis of air emissions is conducted weekly to monitor against internal performance targets. Emissions are reported using the fiscal calendar and months contain either four or five weeks. Values prefixed by an "<" indicate that reported results were less than the instrument detection limits.
- (c) Exceedances of Action Levels must be reported by OPG to the CNSC. To prevent an Action Level from being reached, OPG has set Internal Investigation Levels that require emissions to be reviewed when they reach the high end of the normal range. Corrective actions are taken if necessary. There were no CNSC Action Level exceedance events in the second quarter of 2017.
- (d) Action Level for gross alpha is not specified because it is not a routinely monitored radionuclide group at Pickering Nuclear as the activity is below the threshold value for monitoring.
- (e) The increase in tritium releases in weeks 9 and 10 was primarily due to dryer performance issues in Unit 6, and a change in the operating conditions of the ventilation system in Unit 5 respectively.
- (f) The increase in tritium releases in April and June (weeks 16 and 26 respectively) was primarily due to dryer performance issues in Unit 7. The releases returned to normal levels the following weeks.
- (g) The increase in particulate releases in May (week 20) was primarily due to maintenance performed on the ventilation duct of the service wing chemistry laboratory.

A becquerel (Bq) is the standard international unit for measuring radioactive decay or radioactivity. One becquerel is the decay of one atom of a radioisotope per second, and is an extremely small amount of radioactivity. Becquerel is a measure of the rate (not energy) of radiation emission from a source.

Another unit of measuring radioactivity is the curie (Ci). 1 Ci =  $3.7 \times 10^{10}$  Bq.

While station emissions typically remain at consistently low levels, small fluctuations do occur because of changing operating conditions (e.g. unit outages), work activities, and equipment issues.

	UNITS 1-4		UNITS 5-8				
	Tritium (Bq)	Gross Beta- Gamma (Bq)	Tritium (Bq)	Gross Beta- Gamma (Bq)	Carbon-14 (Bq) <sup>(a)</sup>	Gross Alpha (Bq) <sup>(a)</sup>	
SUMMARY: ANN	IUAL			•			
Release Limit (Bq/year) <sup>(b)</sup>	3.7 x 10 <sup>17</sup>	1.7 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	7.0 x 10 <sup>17</sup>	3.2 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	6.0 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	2.6 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	
Total Releases as of Q2 2017	6.1 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	2.9 x 10 <sup>9</sup>	1.6 x 10 <sup>14</sup>	1.1 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	7.5 x 10 <sup>8</sup>	<1.3 x 10 <sup>6</sup>	
DETAILS: MONTH	DETAILS: MONTHLY <sup>(c)</sup>						
Action Level (Bq/month) <sup>(d)</sup>	3.0 x 10 <sup>15</sup>	1.4 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	5.6 x 10 <sup>15</sup>	2.5 x 10 <sup>10</sup>	4.8 x 10 <sup>11</sup>	Not specified <sup>(e)</sup>	
January	1.0 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	4.7 x 10 <sup>8</sup>	3.0 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	1.1 x 10 <sup>9</sup>	1.0 x 10 <sup>8</sup>	<2.6 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	
February <sup>(f)</sup>	1.0 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	4.3 x 10 <sup>8</sup>	3.2 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	5.4 x 10 <sup>9</sup>	5.9 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	<1.9 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	
March	9.1 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	2.8 x 10 <sup>8</sup>	2.7 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	1.0 x 10 <sup>9</sup>	8.7 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	<2.0 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	
April	1.2 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	5.2 x 10 <sup>8</sup>	3.3 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	1.1 x 10 <sup>9</sup>	2.2 x 10 <sup>8</sup>	<2.6 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	
May	1.0 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	7.8 x 10 <sup>8</sup>	1.9 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	1.1 x 10 <sup>9</sup>	2.5 x 10 <sup>7</sup>	<2.0 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	
June	9.5 x 10 <sup>12</sup>	4.1 x 10 <sup>8</sup>	1.7 x 10 <sup>13</sup>	1.2 x 10 <sup>9</sup>	2.5 x 10 <sup>8</sup>	<1.8 x 10 <sup>5</sup>	

**Table A.3:** Waterborne Radionuclide Releases to Lake Ontario

(a) Includes emissions from both Units 1-4 and Units 5-8. These emissions are reported under Units 5-8 because Pickering Nuclear's Radioactive Liquid Waste Management System is routinely discharged through the outfall for Units 5-8.

(b) The derived Release Limit for a given radionuclide is the release rate of that radionuclide to air or surface water during normal operation of a nuclear facility over the period of a calendar year, which would result in an individual receiving a dose equal to the regulatory annual dose limit for a member of the public.

(c) Analysis of water emissions is conducted monthly to monitor against internal performance targets. Monthly emissions are reported using the fiscal calendar and months contain either four or five weeks. Months with five weeks typically report higher releases relative to months with four weeks. For 2017, January, April, July, October and December have five weeks.

(d) Exceedances of Action Levels must be reported by OPG to the CNSC. To prevent an Action Level from being reached, OPG has set Internal Investigation Levels that require emissions to be reviewed when they reach the high end of the normal range. Corrective actions are taken if necessary. There were no CNSC Action Level exceedance events in the second quarter of 2017.

(e) Action Level for gross alpha is not specified since it is not a routinely monitored radionuclide group because its activity is below the threshold value for monitoring.

(f) The increase in Units 5-8 gross beta-gamma releases in February was primarily due to an operational test performed in the Unit 5 outage. The subsequent analysis result was returned to a normal level.

Table A.4: Pickering Waste Management Facility Air Sample Results

	Particulate (weekly average Bq) <sup>(a)</sup>
April	< 3.3 x 10 <sup>3</sup> (all weeks)
May	< 3.3 x 10 <sup>3</sup> (all weeks)
June	< 3.3 x 10 <sup>3</sup> (all weeks)

(a) Values prefixed by an "<" indicate that reported results were less than the instrument detection limits. Pickering Waste Management Facility particulate results are included in Pickering Nuclear's airborne radionuclide release data.

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		Gross Beta-Gamma (Bq/mL) <sup>(a)</sup>
Sample Point	Q2	
Retube Component	Catch Basin 111	< 1.51 x 10 <sup>-2</sup>
Storage Facility	Catch Basin 112	< 1.51 x 10 <sup>-2</sup>
	Catch Basin 77	< 1.51 x 10 <sup>-2</sup>
	Catch Basin 78	< 1.51 x 10 <sup>-2</sup>
	Catch Basin 82	< 1.51 x 10 <sup>-2</sup>
	Catch Basin 83	< 1.51 x 10 <sup>-2</sup>
Storage Building #3	Sample Station 01	< 1.51 x 10 <sup>-2</sup>
	Sample Station 02 <sup>(b)</sup>	No sample

(a) Values prefixed by an "<" indicate that reported results were less than the instrument detection limits.

(b) Sample Station 02 consists of weeping tiles and is normally dry.

**Table A.6:** Pickering Waste Management Facility Perimeter Fence Dose Rates

		Average Air Kerma Rate (μGy/hour) <sup>(a)</sup>
Location		Q2
Retube Component	Pi2, RCSF South	0.082
Storage Facility (RCSF)	Pi3, RCSF East	0.085
Storage	PW1, North - West	0.068
Building #3	PW2, North - Middle	0.092
	PW3, North - East	0.073
	PW4, East - North	0.073
	PW5, East - Middle	0.071
	PW6, East - South	0.056
	PW7, South - East	0.055
	PW8, South - West	0.054
	PW9, West - South	0.056
	PW10, West - Middle	0.068
	PW11, West - North	0.067
Used Fuel Dry Storage	Pu3, UFDSF East Outside	0.246
Facility (UFDSF) <sup>(b)</sup>	Pu4, UFDSF Stage II East1	0.089
	Pu5, UFDSF Stage II East2	0.193

- (a) Average ambient dose rates are measured at perimeter fences by Thermoluminescent Dosimeters to demonstrate that potential doses due to radiation fields from waste management facility operations are well within allowable limits and pose a negligible risk for the public, the workers and the environment. Dose rate monitoring results are compared to an internal target dose rate standard of  $0.5 \mu$ Gy/hour. This target is derived from the 1 mSv/year dose limit specified in federal legislation for a member of the public and assumes exposure for a working year (2,000 hours).
- (b) The dosimeters for the Used Fuel Dry Storage Facility are located on facility perimeter wall and have target dose rate of <1.75  $\mu$ Gy/hour. This rate was derived from the target standard of 0.5  $\mu$ Gy/hour for the perimeter fence, taking into account the location of the dosimeters.

#### Table A.7: Spills to the Environment

Pickering Nuclear had one spill that was reportable to a regulatory authority in Q2 2017.

#### Category C Spill (Less Serious) – June 13, 2017

An estimated 50 litres of oil spilled from the Unit 1 turbine lube oil heat exchanger to Lake Ontario via the floor drainage system.

Immediate actions were taken to close the subject floor drains and to place absorbent booms in the outfall channel to recover the oil. The berms surrounding the subject floor drains were replaced.