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Good afternoon, Brennain

Thank you for your email of February 26, 2012. As you correctly noted, during the February 21st Deep Geologic Repository public orientation session, Ontario Power Generation undertook to respond to the Joint Review Panel's request to identify ways to handle corrections and amendments to the review documents. At this time, the Panel has not yet determined the most effective or practical means of tracking either corrections or additions to existing documentation keeping in mind the multitude of formats being applied by different users.

With regard to your inquiry regarding tracking tools, the Joint Review Panel is committed to an open and accessible review. Dr. Swanson's opening remarks on February 21, 2012 repeated the Panel's intention to conduct a "transparent and inclusive" review. The Panel will be adopting a publically accessible IR tracking tool and will ensure that all information relating to their review, including site visits and advice, will be posted on the public registry for this project. Only where Canada's access to information and privacy laws require non-disclosure, will information be excluded from public review. At this time, that tracking tool has not yet been finalized. Once the Panel is satisfied with the tracking tool, it will be made available to the public.

With regard to your interpretation of section 4 of the Panel's Preliminary Instructions, it was not intended to address your earlier request that proposed information requests to the Panel not be combined. The Panel encourages submissions from all interested parties that identify proposals for additional information. The Panel Members will identify both their own specific information requests to OPG along with other recommendations for additional information and determine the most effective and efficient format for forwarding such requests to the applicant.

Thank you again for your ongoing interest and involvement in this project. Do not hesitate to contact Debra or I if you have any further information to share.

Kelly