



Health Canada educational visit of JTI-Macdonald manufacturing facilities in Montreal, Quebec – November 24, 2022

Subject:

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Date:

November 24, 2022

Participants:

Health Canada (HC)

- Denis Choinière, Director, Tobacco Products Regulatory Office (TPRO), Tobacco Control Directorate (TCD), Controlled Substances and Cannabis Branch (CSCB)
- Senior Policy Analyst, Tobacco Labelling, TPRO, TCD, CSCB
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JTI:

- Elaine McKay, Head of Corporate Affairs and Communications
- Charles Johnston, Engineering Manager

Introduction:

An educational site visit of JTI-Macdonald was conducted at the request of Health Canada (HC) to better understand some technical issues raised during the consultation on the proposed *Tobacco Products Packaging and Labelling Regulations* published in June 2022 in the *Canada Gazette*, Part I.

HC reminded participants that this meeting is subject to disclosure as per HC's [Openness and Transparency policies](#). In the interest of transparency, the Department stated that it would be making a record of the meeting publicly available. The [handling of information and privacy notice](#) was mentioned and acknowledged.

HC also referred to Article 5.3 of the [World Health Organization Framework Convention on Tobacco Control](#), its international obligation to protect tobacco control policies from the vested interests of the tobacco industry. It was acknowledged by JTI representatives.

Subjects:

The site visit demonstrated the following:

- Manufacturing and distribution process for regular size and king size cigarettes;
- Process to implement changes to tipping paper length for tobacco products with a tipping paper of less than 24 mm in length and to display health warnings on tipping paper for cigarettes;
- Modifications being considered to cigarette-making machines where the tipping paper is less than 24mm in length; and
- Modifications being considered to cigarette packaging machines to accommodate slides with an extended upper-slide flap (slide-and-shell packs).



Conclusion:

The visit was then concluded.

Documents:

- N/A