Notice of Public Hearing and Participant Funding

October 14, 2016 Ref. 2017-H-03

The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) will hold a public hearing on June 7-8, 2017, to consider an application from AREVA Resources Canada Inc. (AREVA) for a 12-year renewal of its Uranium Mine Operating Licence for the McClean Lake Operation. This operation is located in northern Saskatchewan, approximately 750 km north of Saskatoon.

The current licence authorizes AREVA’s McClean Lake Operation to produce up to 10,909,090 kg of uranium concentrate per year, along with associated operations. Additionally, the current licence authorizes AREVA to process uranium ore slurry from Cameco Corporation’s Cigar Lake Operation, also located in northern Saskatchewan. The McClean Lake licence expires June 30, 2017.

Date: June 7-8, 2017
Place: La Ronge, SK
Time: As set by the agenda published prior to the hearing date

The public hearing will be webcast live and available for 90 days on the CNSC website at nuclearsafety.gc.ca.

Through its Participant Funding Program, the CNSC is offering up to $75,000 in funding to assist members of the public, Aboriginal groups and other stakeholders in reviewing AREVA’s application and associated documents and for participating in the Commission hearing process by providing topic-specific interventions to the Commission. The deadline to submit a participant funding application form to the CNSC is December 12, 2016.

Members of the public who have an interest or expertise in this matter or information that may be useful to the Commission in coming to a decision are invited to comment on AREVA’s application. Requests to intervene must be filed with the Commission Secretariat by April 21, 2017 using the online request form or following the coordinates below. Pursuant to the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission Rules of Procedure, the request to intervene must include the following information:

- a written submission of the comments to be presented to the Commission
- a statement setting out whether the requester wishes to intervene by way of written submission only or by way of written submission and oral presentation
- the requester’s name, address and telephone number
All submissions are available to the public on request to the Secretariat. Personal information, such as address and telephone number, is essential for linking the submission to its author. If you wish to ensure the confidentiality of your personal information, please submit it on a separate page.

AREVA’s submission and CNSC staff’s recommendations to be considered at the hearing on June 7-8, 2017, will be available after March 24, 2017. To obtain copies of these documents, please contact the Secretariat at the coordinates below or request them directly from the website. Further information on this hearing or the public Commission hearing process is available on the CNSC website at nuclearsafety.gc.ca.

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