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Questions from Commission Panel Members

In the Matter of

Application for a licence to abandon Saskatchewan Research Council's SLOWPOKE-2 reactor facility

Public Hearing - Hearing in writing based on written submissions

August 2021

NON PROTÉGÉ

Questions des membres de la formation de la Commission

À l'égard de

Demande pour un permis d'abandon de l'établissement du réacteur SLOWPOKE-2 du Saskatchewan Research Council's

Audience Publique - Audience fondée sur des mémoires

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INTRODUCTION

The Panel of the Commission, in conducting hearing in writing [2021-H-104](#) to consider Saskatchewan Research Council’s application for a licence to abandon the SLOWPOKE-2 reactor facility, has reviewed the written submissions provided by CNSC staff and Saskatchewan Research Council. The Panel of the Commission requires additional information with respect to [CMD 21-H104](#).

QUESTIONS

The Panel’s four questions for CNSC staff’s attention and response are set out in Table 1.

Table 1 – CMD 21-H104Q Questions for CNSC Staff

#	Commission Panel Questions
1.	According to SRC’s application it plans to terminate its long-term lease agreement and return possession to Saskatchewan Property Management after the “completion of decommissioning work and the issuance of a licence to abandon” (allowing for unrestricted use of the space). Is it known what the space will be used for once the site has been abandoned by SRC?
2.	CNSC inspectors and, if required, IAEA inspectors will have access to the site for a period of 10 years following the expiry of the licence to abandon. Is this limited to the inspection of records to ensure compliance with subsection 14(4) of the Class I Nuclear Facilities Regulations or does it also include any necessary or anticipated follow up monitoring activities? If SRC no longer occupies the space/site how does subsection 14(4) of the <i>Class I Nuclear Facilities Regulations</i> apply, assuming that Saskatchewan Property Management will have full possession of the space/site?
3.	CNSC staff conclude that there is no duty to consult because there will be no impact on Indigenous or Treaty rights. What engagement activities, if any, have been carried out by the proponent and CNSC staff and SRC in relation to the application and related activities, specifically decommissioning, with Indigenous groups/communities?
4.	In terms of the waste that was shipped to the Savannah River in the US, does SRC still have ownership of and liability for the waste?

REQUEST

CNSC staff’s responses shall be submitted by way of supplementary CMD by August 31, 2021, if possible. The Secretariat should be informed of any concerns respecting this deadline within 5 working days of receiving this request.



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