



**Written submission from the
Northern Village of Beauval**

**Mémoire du
Northern Village of Beauval**

In the Matter of the

À l'égard de

**Cameco Corporation, Rabbit Lake
Operation**

**Cameco Corporation, établissement de
Rabbit Lake**

Application for the renewal of uranium
mine/mill licence for Rabbit Lake Operation

Demande visant le renouvellement du permis
d'exploitation de mine et d'usine de
concentration d'uranium pour l'établissement
de Rabbit Lake

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Re: Intervention letter for renewal application for Cameco's uranium mines and mills licenses for the McArthur River, Key Lake, and Rabbit Lake Operations.

Thank you for this opportunity to submit an intervention on behalf of the Northern Village of Beauval, a small community located approximately 400km northwest of Saskatoon. The nearest Cameco facility is the Key Lake operation, more than 250km northeast. Most of the 750 people living in Beauval are proud descendants of Métis and Cree trappers and fishers.

Cameco has been mining and milling in northern Saskatchewan for 35 years and I have seen the positive impacts industry has had in the north. Cameco provides more than donations to fund initiatives in northern Saskatchewan, it also provides meaningful employment and contracting jobs for northern people. The company continues to build capacity by hiring qualified local residents whenever possible. Cameco has also been an active partner in seeing that additional training opportunities can take place in northern Saskatchewan.

The north faced many challenges with the global pandemic and Cameco's COVID-19 Relief Fund helped us respond immediately to our residents. The company took proactive precautionary measures during the current COVID-19 pandemic to ensure the safety of its workers, their families, and our communities.

Cameco has a long history of engaging with communities in northern Saskatchewan. When Cameco applied to renew its uranium mine license for the McArthur River, Key Lake and Rabbit Lake operations, we were informed of the mature management systems in place at the operations and the company would continue to operate within the established licensing basis. We

understand that the sites would continue to monitor and report on the environment, radiation protection, and health and safety performance at the operations, as we have seen during the license term. The sites would also maintain its financial assurances and review and update its preliminary decommissioning plans every five years.

The company has developed strong relationships in northern Saskatchewan, which is reflected in their ongoing work with northern people, communities, and businesses. Cameco is an experienced and qualified operator; I am pleased to provide this letter of support for Cameco's application to renew the uranium mine licenses for the McArthur River, Key Lake and Rabbit Lake operations for a 20-year term.

Thank you,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Nick Daigneault', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Nick Daigneault
Mayor, Northern Village of Beauval