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# Notice of Hearing

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July 11, 2012

Ref. 2012-H-117

The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) will hold a hearing in August to consider an approval request made by Atomic Energy of Canada Limited (AECL) for the Chalk River Laboratories (CRL) within the municipality of Chalk River, Ontario.

AECL has requested the Commission's approval to decommission the Plutonium Tower (Building 223) at CRL. The first part of decommissioning the Plutonium Tower consists of the removal of the annexes and services to building, and is expected to be completed by 2013. The second part of the project consists of the removal of the concrete tower, soil remediation and associated activities, and will occur after a period of continued storage with surveillance. The removal of the tower and site remediation is planned to be completed by 2028.

The Commission will consider AECL's application by way of written submissions, in a closed session. CNSC staff recommendation and AECL's application letter will be available as of July 11, 2012 by contacting the Secretariat at the address below.

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, in writing only, on AECL's application. Requests to intervene must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission by August 10, 2012, directly on-line at <http://www.nuclearsafety.gc.ca/eng/commission/intervention/index.cfm> or at the coordinates below. The request must include the following information, as per the *Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission Rules of Procedure*:

- a written submission of the comments to be presented to the Commission; and
- name, address and telephone of the requester.

Personal information, such as address and telephone numbers, is essential for linking the submission to its author. Please submit your personal information on a separate page if you wish to ensure its confidentiality. It should be noted that all submissions are available to the public upon request to the Secretariat.

Following the deliberations and decision of the Commission on this matter, a *Record of Proceedings, including Reasons for Decision* will be published on the CNSC Web site and made available to the public.

CNSC staff's recommendations and AECL's hearing submissions are not available on-line and must be requested through the Secretariat at the address below:

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