

Revised Notice of Public Hearing

May 21, 2024 Ref. 2024-H-05 **Revision 1**

CNSC to conduct a public hearing on Ontario Power Generation's request for authorization to operate Pickering NGS Units 5 to 8 beyond December 31, 2024

The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) will hold a public hearing to consider an application from Ontario Power Generation (OPG) to extend the operation of Pickering Nuclear Generating Station (NGS) Units 5 to 8 until December 31, 2026. The Pickering NGS is located in the municipality of Pickering, Ontario. It is located on the traditional territory of the Wendat, Anishinabek Nation, and the territory covered by the 1923 Williams Treaty Clause #2 area with the Michi Saagiig and Chippewa Nations, which include Curve Lake, Hiawatha, Alderville, Scugog Island, Rama, Beausoleil, and Georgina Island First Nations. This revised notice is to confirm the hearing date and location. The hearing will be held at the Pickering Recreation Complex, 1867 Valley Farm Rd, Pickering, Ontario, on June 19 and 20, 2024.

The current operating licence for OPG's Pickering NGS units is valid until August 31, 2028. However, as detailed in the Commission's record of decision on the 2018 renewal of OPG's licence for the Pickering NGS, operating any of the units beyond December 31, 2024, would constitute a change in OPG's licensing basis. Therefore, OPG requires authorization from the Commission prior to engaging in commercial operations beyond 2024.

Hearing details

Date: June 19 and 20, 2024

Pickering Recreation Complex, 1867 Valley Farm Rd, Pickering, Place:

Ontario and virtually via Zoom

Time: As set by the agenda published prior to the hearing date

The public hearing will be webcast live and available on the CNSC website at nuclearsafety.gc.ca. Additional details about the public hearing will be issued at a later date.

During the hearing, the Commission will consider oral and written submissions from OPG and CNSC staff related to OPG's request to extend the operation of Pickering NGS Units 5 to 8 until December 31, 2026. The Commission will also consider oral and written interventions from members of the public, Indigenous Nations and communities, and other interested parties.

OPG's application is available on its website. OPG's hearing submission and CNSC staff's recommendations to be considered at the hearing are available on the CNSC website or on request to the Commission Registry.



Participant funding

In advance of the public hearing, the CNSC made up to \$100,000 in funding available through its Participant Funding Program. The purpose of the funding was to assist Indigenous Nations and communities, members of the public and interested parties in reviewing CNSC staff's and OPG's submissions to the Commission, and in participating in the hearing process by providing topic-specific interventions to the Commission. The deadline for submitting a completed participant funding application form was October 2, 2023. A funding review committee, independent of the CNSC, was established to review funding applications and approved the reimbursement of a total of approximately \$92,000 to 8 applicants.

Interventions

Pursuant to rule 19 of the <u>Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission Rules of Procedure</u>, persons who have an interest or expertise in this matter or information that may be useful to the Commission in coming to a decision were invited to comment on OPG's application. Requests to intervene were to be filed with the Commission Registry by April 29, 2024. All submissions are available for download on the <u>CNSC website</u> or on request to the Commission Registry.

For further information on the Participant Funding Program, contact:

Administrator, Participant Funding Program Tel.: 613-415-2814 or 1-800-668-5284

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For further information on the public Commission hearing process, or on the licensee or the facility being considered in this matter, or to request documents, contact:

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