



Notice of Public Hearing and Participant Funding

April 8, 2024

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CNSC to conduct a public hearing on Cameco Corporation's application to release the final set of decommissioned Beaverlodge mine and mill site properties from CNSC licensing for acceptance into Saskatchewan's Institutional Control Program, resulting in the revocation of its waste facility operating licence

The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) will hold a public hearing to consider an application from Cameco Corporation (Cameco) for the release of the final set of decommissioned [Beaverlodge mine and mill site](#) properties from CNSC licensing for acceptance into [Saskatchewan's Institutional Control Program](#) (ICP), resulting in the revocation of its waste facility operating licence for the decommissioned Beaverlodge mine and mill site. The site is located near Uranium City in northern Saskatchewan, on historic Treaty 8 (1899) territory, and the Homeland of the Métis, and is within the traditional territories of the Dene, Cree, and Métis peoples. Decommissioning of the Beaverlodge mine and mill site was completed in 1985, and the site currently consists of 27 individual properties licensed by the CNSC.

The current licence, which is valid until May 31, 2025, authorizes Cameco to manage ongoing reclamation, maintenance and monitoring activities at the Beaverlodge properties. With the application, Cameco is requesting that the remaining 27 Beaverlodge properties be released from licensing under the [Nuclear Safety and Control Act](#) (NSCA) to enable their acceptance into the ICP. Should the properties be released from CNSC licensing, Cameco would no longer require a CNSC licence for the Beaverlodge mine and mill site.

The provincial regulations that establish the ICP require the province to be exempt from CNSC licensing in relation to any properties entering the program. With this in mind, the Commission will also consider whether to exempt the Province of Saskatchewan from requiring a licence for the released properties, pursuant to section 7 of the NSCA. To date, the Commission has released 43 Beaverlodge properties from licensing.

Hearing details

Date: January 29, 2025
Place: In Saskatchewan (location to be determined) and/or 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 cnsccsn.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 Cameco and CNSC staff related to Cameco's application. The Commission will also consider oral and written interventions from members of the public, Indigenous Nations and communities, and other interested parties.

[Cameco's application](#) is available on its website. Cameco's hearing submission and CNSC staff's recommendations to be considered at the hearing will be available on the CNSC website, or on request to the Commission Registry, after **October 10, 2024**.

Participant funding

In advance of the public hearing, the CNSC is making available up to **\$100,000** in funding through its [Participant Funding Program](#). The purpose of the funding is to assist Indigenous Nations and communities, members of the public and interested parties in reviewing CNSC staff's and Cameco's submissions to the Commission, and in participating in the hearing process by providing topic-specific interventions to the Commission. Participant funding applications must clearly demonstrate how the proposed submission will provide the Commission with information directly related to Cameco's application for the revocation of its licence to enable the acceptance of the properties into Saskatchewan's ICP. Please note that the \$100,000 will be disbursed among all successful applicants. The deadline for submitting a completed participant funding application form is **June 21, 2024**.

Interventions

Pursuant to rule 19 of the [Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission Rules of Procedure](#), persons 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 Cameco's application. Requests to intervene must be filed with the Commission Registry by **December 10, 2024**, using the [online request form](#), [email](#), or the contact information below. **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, telephone number and email address

Oral presenters who wish to use a PowerPoint presentation are asked to submit their slide decks to the Commission Registry by **January 15, 2025**. All submissions will be available for download on the [CNSC website](#) or on request to the Commission Registry. Personal information, such as email 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.

Individuals who require Indigenous language interpretation for the hearing are asked to contact the Commission Registry by **October 10, 2024**, to request interpretation services.

For further information on the Participant Funding Program, contact:

Participant Funding Program Administrator, CNSC

Tel.: 613-415-2814 or 1-800-668-5284

Email: pfp@cnsccsn.gc.ca

Web: [Participant Funding Program](#)

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:

Senior Tribunal Officer, Commission Registry

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Web: [Participate in a public Commission hearing](#)

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