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**Written submission from the
Fond du Lac First Nations**

**Mémoire des premières
nations de Fond du Lac**

In the Matter of the

À l'égard de

**Cameco Corporation,
Cigar Lake Operation**

**Cameco Corporation,
établissement de Cigar Lake**

Application for the renewal of Cameco's
uranium mine licence for the Cigar Lake
Operation

Demande de renouvellement du permis de mine
d'uranium de Cameco pour l'établissement de
Cigar Lake

Commission Public Hearing

Audience publique de la Commission

April 28-29, 2021

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March 4 2021

Secretariat – Senior Tribunal Officer
Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission
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Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: Intervention Letter on Renewal Application for Cameco's Uranium Mine Licence for the Cigar Lake Operation

I am writing to indicate my full support for the renewal of Cameco's Uranium Mine Licence for the Cigar Lake Operation. My community of Fond du Lac Denesuline First Nation has enjoyed an excellent working relationship with Cameco for a number of years – and our workforce has depended on training and employment opportunities provided by Cameco during that time.

In the wake of the recent (although prolonged) COVID-19 pandemic, it is more important than ever for our economic recovery brought on through lockdowns and isolation that we continue to work together in the spirit of partnership as we have done in the past.

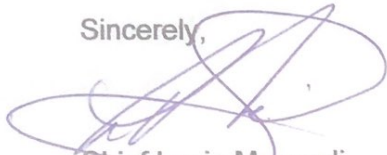
As to the awarding of the renewed licence for the Cameco's operation at Cigar Lake, I can confidently report that:

- Fond du Lac workers were always safe and proper protection was always provided
- I have never heard that any releases occurred that negatively impacted or harmed the environment or the health and safety of anyone in the vicinity of the operation
- Wherever treated water was released from the Cigar Lake facility, it was always safe and met all regulatory requirements
- Cameco engaged with the northern communities professionally and effectively and always kept us informed about their activities and, through meaningful dialogue, provided timely responses to questions
- Cameco took strong proactive measures throughout the pandemic to ensure not only the safety of site workers, but also their families and communities (i.e. through the provision of PPE, etc).

- I am satisfied and confident that Cameco has the programs, processes and people in place to ensure continued safe production throughout the next licence term

As Chief of Fond du Lac Denesuline First Nation, I look forward to many more years of our continued cooperative relationship with Cameco.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Louie Mercredi', with a large, stylized flourish extending to the left.

Chief Louie Mercredi
Fond du Lac Denesuline First Nation