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Mémoire de la Saskatchewan Mining **Association**

Regulatory Oversight Report for Uranium Mines and Mills in Canada: 2021

Rapport de surveillance réglementaire des mines et usines de concentration d'uranium au **Canada**: 2021

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RE: SMA Written Intervention – Regulatory Oversight Report for Uranium Mines, Mills in Canada: 2021 CMD-22-M05

The Saskatchewan Mining Association (SMA) is the voice of the mining industry in Saskatchewan and has the role of liaison and consultant with government and public to ensure the safe, profitable and orderly development of the mineral resources of the province. Environmental protection and stewardship are important to the members of the SMA as shown by their commitment to environmental planning, monitoring, compliance and reclamation. Our members are also among the largest industrial employers of Indigenous people in Canada.

The SMA represents over 35 member companies including producers and exploration companies. Our mission is to advance a safe, sustainable and globally competitive exploration and mining industry in Saskatchewan that benefits all residents of the province.

The SMA is providing this intervention in support of Cameco Corporation (Cameco) and Orano Canada Inc.'s (Orano) ongoing management of uranium operations in northern Saskatchewan.

Both Cameco and Orano have mature and highly effective management programs in place and continue to demonstrate responsible and effective management of their respective operations, even with the ongoing challenges of market conditions and the COVID-19 pandemic resulting in short- and long-term care and maintenance of many of their operations. They also continue to demonstrate strong and consistent performance with respect to environmental protection, radiation protection and health & safety.

We would like to thank you for the opportunity to share our views in this written intervention to indicate our support for Cameco Corporation and Orano Canada Inc.'s ongoing management of uranium operations in northern Saskatchewan.

Yours sincerely,

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