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Exposé oral

Written submission from the Lac La Ronge Indian Band

Mémoire de la Bande indienne de Lac La Ronge

In the Matter of the

À l'égard de

**Cameco Corporation, Rabbit Lake
Operation**

**Cameco Corporation, établissement de
Rabbit Lake**

Application for the renewal of uranium
mine/mill licence for Rabbit Lake Operation

Demande visant le renouvellement du permis
d'exploitation de mine et d'usine de
concentration d'uranium pour l'établissement
de Rabbit Lake

Commission Public Hearing

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Lac La Ronge Indian Band

April 21, 2023

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RE: RELICENSING REQUEST FOR THE KEY LAKE, MCARTHUR RIVER AND RABBIT LAKE OPERATIONS

As the Chief of the Lac La Ronge Indian Band (LLRIB), I appreciate the opportunity to submit this intervention letter on behalf of the Lac La Ronge Indian Band.

The LLRIB is the largest First Nation in Saskatchewan, and one of the largest in Canada with over 11,000 band members. The LLRIB lands, 19 reserves in total, extend from farmlands in central Saskatchewan all the way north through the boreal forest to the Churchill River and beyond. We are a Woodland Cree First Nation, members of the Prince Albert Grand Council and we pride ourselves on a commitment to education opportunities, business successes, and improving the well-being of our band members. We manage our own internationally accredited Indian Child and Family Services and have strong business ventures through our [Kitsaki Management Limited Partnership](#).

As partners with Cameco under the Lac La Ronge Indian Band (LLRIB) Collaboration Agreement (CA) signed in 2017. The LLRIB communities created new activities, employment and programs through the CA and the funds were used for a variety of community-based initiatives. Cameco continues to build on initiatives for the community in areas of business development, workforce development, LLRIB community investments, scholarship programs and community engagement. The agreement with Cameco and the LLRIB has made it possible for infrastructure programs, administrative services, education, health, public safety, environmental protection, culture, sports, recreation, and business development.

Cameco has over 30 years uranium mining and milling experience in northern Saskatchewan. During this time, Cameco and LLRIB have built a long-standing relationship and I am pleased to provide this letter of support regarding the 20-year relicensing request for the Key Lake, McArthur River, and Rabbit Lake operations. We have been well informed and believe Cameco to be an experienced and qualified operator.

Cameco continues to be a vital part of northern Saskatchewan and makes a positive impact as a major employer, strong community partner and a very respected company in the region by members and leadership of the LLRIB.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tammy Cook-Searson".

Chief Tammy Cook-Searson
Lac la Ronge Indian Band