



**Written submission from
Orano Canada Inc.**

Mémoire d'Orano Canada Inc.

In the Matter of the

À l'égard de

Cameco Corporation, Beaverlodge Project

**Cameco Corporation, le projet de
Beaverlodge**

Application for the Licence Revocation and
Transfer of Properties to Saskatchewan
Institutional Control Program

Demande de révocation de permis et de
transfert de propriétés au programme de
contrôle institutionnel de la Saskatchewan

Commission Public Hearing

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Written Intervention for Cameco Corporation Request to Revoke the Current Licence and Release the Beaverlodge Project to the Institutional Control Program

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Please accept this correspondence as Orano Canada Inc's (Orano) written intervention for Cameco Corporation's (Cameco) request to revoke the current licence and release the Beaverlodge Project to the Institutional Control Program.

Orano Canada has been exploring for uranium, developing mines and producing uranium concentrate for more than 60 years. Headquartered in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, Orano is a leading producer of uranium in Canada. Orano is the operator of the McClean Lake Mill, the only uranium mill designed to process high-grade uranium ore without dilution. Orano is joint-venture partner in the Cigar Lake, McArthur River and Key Lake mines and mill, operated by Cameco and is the former owner/operator of the decommissioned Cluff Lake Project. As such, Orano is familiar with the requirements to decommission a site, as well as the robust review process and level of engagement needed to prepare projects for acceptance into Saskatchewan's Institutional Control Program.

Orano has reviewed Cameco's application and supports the request to revoke the licence for the remaining 27 properties at the Beaverlodge site, therefore making them eligible for transfer to the Province of Saskatchewan for long-term environmental stewardship under the Institutional Control Program.

Cameco has implemented a robust Public Information Program for the Beaverlodge Project, ensuring local target audiences were informed during the process to transfer the properties. In addition to the approved Public Information Program, in 2016, Cameco, along with Orano signed a confidential collaboration agreement (CA) with the seven Athabasca Basin Communities, referred to as the Ya' thi Néné CA. Two pillars of this CA, community engagement and environmental stewardship describe the company's obligations for informing and engaging with the Athabasca Basin communities. Engagement primarily occurs through the Athabasca Joint Engagement and Environmental Subcommittee (AJES), a committee formed through the CA to represent the Basin communities.

Another important group of community representatives is the Northern Saskatchewan Environmental Quality Committee (NSEQC), consisting of representatives appointed by provincial government, from 32 northern municipal and First Nations communities.

As a participant in presentations and information sharing opportunities with northern leadership, committees and community members, along with Cameco's robust Public Information Program, Orano is well-informed and confident in the level of engagement and outreach that Cameco has and will continue to conduct on the Beaverlodge Project.

Through our close collaboration with Cameco over decades of shared operations and experiences, Orano is well-informed and confident in Cameco's competence as a responsible manager and the company's established measures, along with demonstrating performance for engaging northern communities, protecting the health and safety of workers and the public as well as the environment. Orano fully supports Cameco's request to revoke the licence and transfer the properties to the Saskatchewan Institutional Control Program.