



# Record of Decision

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## Commission Ruling on Request to Protect Confidential Information

**Requestor:** Lac La Ronge Indian Band

**Matter:** 25-H9 — Application for a Licence to Prepare Site and Construct the Wheeler River Project

**Proceeding:** Two-Part Public Hearing in October and December 2025

With respect to the matter noted above, the Commission has considered Lac La Ronge Indian Band's [request for confidentiality](#)<sup>1</sup> for the document set out in Table 1, below. This request was made pursuant to rule 12 of the [Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission Rules of Procedure](#) (the *Rules*).

The Commission's ruling on this request, for the purposes of this proceeding, is also documented in Table 1 and relates only to Lac La Ronge Indian Band's written submission.

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<sup>1</sup> *Lac La Ronge Indian Band's Request for Confidentiality*, retrieved from the CNSC website: <https://api.cnsccsn.gc.ca/dms/digital-medias/CMD25-H9-3-Request-for-Confidentiality.pdf/object>, November 6, 2025.

Table 1: Ruling				
Document Title	Information will be Protected		Measure(s) to be Taken	Determination
	Yes	No		
1. CMD 25-H9.3 - Written Submission from Lac La Ronge Indian Band	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	The publication or disclosure of this information is prohibited.	<p>The Commission finds that, in accordance with subrule 12(1)(b) of the Rules, the document contains Indigenous Knowledge that is treated consistently as confidential.</p> <p>Only the non-confidential summary version will be published or disclosed. The Commission is satisfied that the information available to the public in the summary version of the document is sufficient to satisfy the public interest. The summary version of the document is available on the <a href="#">CNSC website</a><sup>2</sup> or on request to the Commission Registry.</p>

<sup>2</sup> *Public Summary of the Written Submission from Lac La Ronge Indian Band*, retrieved from the CNSC website: <https://api.cnsccsn.gc.ca/dms/digital-medias/CMD25-H9-3.pdf/object>, November 6, 2025.

The Commission is satisfied that:

- as per subrule 12(1)(b) of the *Rules*, the document in Table 1 contains Indigenous Knowledge that is consistently treated as confidential; and
- as per subrules 12(2)(a) and 12(2)(b) of the *Rules*, protection of the information outweighs in importance the public interest in public hearings and disclosure of evidence, and the measure taken is designed so as not to affect the public nature of the proceeding except to the extent necessary to adequately protect the information.

Therefore, applying subrules 12(3)(b) and 12(3)(c) of the *Rules*, the Commission orders that the publication or disclosure of information given to the Commission in document 1 be prohibited, as described in Table 1.

November 6, 2025

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Pierre F. Tremblay  
President  
Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission

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Date