



VIA EMAIL

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Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission  
280 Slater Street  
P.O. Pox 1046, Station B  
Ottawa, ON K1P 5S9

**Re: AREVA Comments on CNSC REGDOC 3.2.1 – Public Information and Disclosure**

AREVA Resources Canada Inc. (AREVA) is committed to conducting our operations in a socially responsible and environmentally sustainable manner. In keeping with our commitments, AREVA's overarching communication program provides information to neighbouring communities, the public and other stakeholders who are interested in our operations. The methods of communication vary based on the effectiveness and purpose of such communications, and may be oral, written, or social media based. AREVA has developed and maintained a long-standing public information program.

AREVA observes that a significant modification was made to Section 2.2.4 Public Information Strategy and Products, requiring licensees who conduct an environmental risk assessment (ERA) and/or probabilistic safety assessment (PSA), to post the ERA and a summary of the PSA on the licensee's website.

In the development of AREVA's Public Information and Disclosure Program, AREVA has undertaken considerable effort to determine and consult on effective methods of communications with our identified stakeholders. ERA's are written for a very specialized audience. Due to the broad range of scientific and technical literacy amongst our stakeholders and the general public, it is AREVA's opinion that it is appropriate for licensees to develop and post a summary of the ERA that is clear, concise and understandable by the general public. Conversely, posting an ERA in its entirety is inappropriate. AREVA currently uses a mechanism through our website for stakeholders to request the full document, if desired. This mechanism provides AREVA with an opportunity to become aware of stakeholders interested in specific information about our operations, and provides us the opportunity to offer a meeting to further explain our projects and discuss their areas of interest. AREVA already has



this mechanism in place on our website for other documents and has proven to be very successful in facilitating meaningful interactions with our stakeholders.

Please contact me by phone: (306) 343-4525 or email: [tina.searcy@areva.com](mailto:tina.searcy@areva.com) if you have questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'T Searcy'.

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cc: ARC Distribution