

Canadian Nuclear

Commission canadienne Safety Commission de sûreté nucléaire

Notice of Hearing in Writing

April 8, 2021

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The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) will conduct a hearing based on written submissions in April 2021 to consider an application from Bruce Power for a temporary exemption from sections 23.1.2(2) and 23.2.1 of REGDOC-2.2.3, Personnel Certification, Volume III: Certification of Persons Working at Nuclear Power Plants. Bruce Power is requesting that the Commission authorize alternative requirements for minimum experience and general training for the initial certification of personnel who were previously certified at an Ontario Power Generation CANDU nuclear power plant (NPP) and have been hired into the initial certification program at Bruce Power.

The current licence requires Bruce Power to implement and maintain certification programs in accordance with CNSC REGDOC-2.2.3, Volume III. Bruce Power is requesting a temporary exemption from sections 23.1.2(2) and 23.2.1 and seeking authorization for the following alternative requirements:

- that reactor operators previously certified at an NPP of the same type have six months of additional plant experience at the NPP where certification is sought, instead of at least one year
- that the completion of general training at an Ontario Power Generation NPP be transferrable to the NPP where certification is sought

Pursuant to rule 3 of the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission Rules of Procedure (the Rules), the Commission has decided to vary the Rules in order to ensure that this hearing is dealt with as informally and expeditiously as the circumstances and the considerations of fairness permit. The Commission will consider written submissions from the licensee and CNSC staff. A panel of the Commission will then deliberate and render a decision on Bruce Power's application.

The hearing submissions from the licensee and CNSC staff will be available on the CNSC website, or on request to the Secretariat, after April 8, 2021.

Following the deliberations and Commission decision on this matter, a record of decision will be published on the CNSC website at <u>nuclearsafety.gc.ca</u> and made available on request.

For further information on the public Commission hearing process, or on the licensee or the facility being considered in this matter, or to request documents, contact:

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