

Notice of Hearing in Writing

September 1, 2021 Ref. 2021-H-109

CNSC to conduct a hearing in writing on a request from Canadian Light Source Inc. to change its licensing basis.

In September 2021, the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) will conduct a hearing based on written submissions to consider an application from Canadian Light Source Inc. (CLSI) to change the licensing basis for its Class 1B particle accelerator facility. CLSI is requesting authorization to allow occupancy of a space where access is currently not permitted while its facility is in use. The facility is located on the University of Saskatchewan campus in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

CLSI has requested a change to its licensing basis for the future establishment of the Electron Source Laboratory (ESL) and has submitted its safety case to the CNSC. The requested change to the licensing basis would allow modification of the existing access control system to facilitate accessing the area of the future ESL while the CLSI facility is in use. The area would have shielded walls and doors, and an independent access control system.

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 CLSI and CNSC staff. A panel of the Commission will then deliberate and render a decision on CLSI's application.

The hearing submissions from CLSI and CNSC staff will be available on the CNSC website, or on request to the Secretariat, after August 30, 2021.

Following the deliberations and Commission decision on this matter, a record of decision will be published on the CNSC website and made available on request. A decision from the Commission is anticipated to be available in fall 2021.

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

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