



Notice of Public Hearing and Participant Funding

September 20, 2022

Ref. 2023-H-7

CNSC to conduct a public hearing on Cameco Corporation's application to renew its uranium mine and mill licence for the Rabbit Lake Operation

The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) will hold a public hearing in June 2023 to consider an application from Cameco Corporation (Cameco) to renew, for an indefinite period, the uranium mine and mill licence for its Rabbit Lake Operation. The Rabbit Lake Operation is located in northern Saskatchewan, on Treaty 10 territory (1906), and the Homeland of the Métis, and is within the traditional territories of the Denesūłiné, Cree, and Métis peoples.

The current licence authorizes Cameco to operate the Rabbit Lake Operation until October 31, 2023. Due to economic factors, Cameco safely transitioned the Rabbit Lake Operation into a state of care and maintenance in 2016. Cameco has not indicated to the CNSC whether it plans to restart production at Rabbit Lake. Nonetheless, the proposed licence would authorize Cameco to operate Rabbit Lake beyond October 31, 2023.

Date: June 7 or 8, 2023
Place: in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, and virtually via Zoom
Time: As set by the agenda published prior to the hearing date

The public hearing will be webcast live and archived on the CNSC website at nuclearsafety.gc.ca.

In advance of the public hearing, the CNSC is making available up to **\$75,000** in [funding opportunities](#) through its Participant Funding Program. The purpose of the funding is to assist Indigenous Nations and communities, members of the public and stakeholders in reviewing Cameco's application and associated documents, and in participating in the Commission hearing process by providing topic-specific interventions to the Commission. Participant funding applications must clearly demonstrate how the proposed submission will provide the Commission with information directly relating to Cameco's application. Please note that the \$75,000 will be disbursed among all successful applicants. The deadline for submitting a completed participant funding application form to the CNSC is **November 18, 2022**.

Cameco's licence renewal application for its Rabbit Lake Operation is posted on its [website](#). CNSC staff are evaluating Cameco's application, including the requested licence term. [Relevant documents](#), including Cameco's submission and CNSC staff's recommendations to be considered at the hearing, will be available on the CNSC website, or on request to the Commission Registry, after **February 22, 2023**.

Pursuant to rule 19 of the *Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission Rules of Procedure*, persons who have an interest or expertise in this matter or information that may be useful to the Commission in coming to a decision are invited to comment on Cameco's application. Requests to intervene must be filed with the Commission Registry by **April 24, 2023**, using the [online request form](#), emailing the Registry at interventions@cnsccsn.gc.ca, or using the contact information below. **The request to intervene must include the following information:**

- a written submission of the comments to be presented to the Commission
- a statement setting out whether the requester wishes to intervene by way of written submission only or by way of written submission and oral presentation
- the requester's name, address, telephone number and email address

All submissions will be available for download on the CNSC website or on request to the Commission Registry. Personal information, such as email address and telephone number, is essential for linking the submission to its author. If you wish to ensure the confidentiality of your personal information, please submit it on a separate page.

For further information on the Participant Funding Program, contact:

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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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