

Notice of Hearing in Writing

May 15, 2018 Ref. 2018-H-101

The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) will conduct a hearing based on written submissions in May 2018, in order in to consider an application from the University of Alberta (U of A) for the revocation of its Non-Power Reactor Licence (NPROL) following the decommissioning of its SLOWPOKE-2 reactor (UASR) facility, as well as for the issuance of a licence to abandon. The UASR facility is located at the U of A campus in Edmonton, Alberta.

The current licence authorizes the U of A to decommission the UASR facility, which housed a 20-kilowatt research reactor that has been decommissioned. All decommissioning work associated with the UASR was completed by October 2017. In its licence revocation request, the U of A is proposing an end-state objective of unrestricted future use of the UASR facility for activities that do not require CNSC regulation.

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

The hearing submissions from the U of A and CNSC staff are available on the CNSC website, or on request to the Secretariat.

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.

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