

CNSC Participant Funding Program Decision

Regulatory Oversight Report for Uranium Mines, Mills, Historic and Decommissioned Sites in Canada: 2015



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CNSC decision on the allocation of participant funding for the *Regulatory* Oversight Report for Uranium Mines, Mills, Historic and Decommissioned Sites in Canada: 2015

On May 11, 2016, the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) announced it was offering up to \$35,000 under its Participant Funding Program (PFP) to assist members of the public, Indigenous groups, and other stakeholders to review its *Regulatory Oversight Report for Uranium Mines, Mills, Historic and Decommissioned Sites in Canada: 2015* (the Report) and submit comments to the Commission. The deadline for submitting participant funding applications to the CNSC was August 26, 2016.

The Report is an annual summary of CNSC staff's assessment of the performance of operating, historic and decommissioned uranium mines and mills regulated by the CNSC. The results of CNSC staff's assessment are presented before the Commission on an annual basis as part of a public Commission meeting.

Background

Participant funding was made available by the CNSC:

- for the provision of new, distinctive and valuable information to the CNSC through informed and topic-specific interventions
- to assist interested parties to review the CNSC's Report and submit comments to the Commission

A funding review committee (FRC), independent of the CNSC, was established to review the funding applications received by the CNSC's PFP administrator, and to make recommendations to the CNSC on the allocation of up to \$35,000 for eligible applicants.

The FRC members were:

- Mr. Guy Riverin, Environmental Assessment Expert and retired federal public servant
- Mr. Paul Scott, Environmental Assessment Expert and retired federal public servant
- Mr. Bruce Young, retired Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency Director

The FRC reviewed the two PFP applications received by the CNSC, requesting a total of \$19,672.

Eligibility and funding criteria

For more information on participant funding and how it works, including details on eligibility and funding criteria, please read the <u>PFP Guide</u>.

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The CNSC has carefully considered the FRC's recommendations for the allocation of participant funding in the matter of the CNSC's Report and approved the reimbursement of up to \$19,672 in participant funding to the following recipients:

Applicant	Maximum amount of available funding
Saskatchewan Environmental Society (SES)	\$9,300
Rodney Gardiner	\$10,372
TOTAL	\$19,672

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