



Record of Decision

Commission Ruling on Request to Protect Confidential Information

Requestor: Canadian Nuclear Laboratories Ltd.

Matter: 24-H7 – Application to Renew the Nuclear Research and Test Establishment Decommissioning Licence for Whiteshell Laboratories

Proceeding: Public Hearing, to be held on October 23, 2024

With respect to the matter noted above, the Commission has considered the Canadian Nuclear Laboratories Ltd.'s (CNL) requests^{1,2} for confidentiality for the following documents. These requests were made pursuant to rule 12 of the [Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission Rules of Procedure](#) (the Rules).

The Commission's ruling on the requests is that, for the purposes of this proceeding:

Table 1: Ruling				
Document Title	Information will be Protected		Measure(s) to be Taken	Determination
	Yes	No		
1. Implementation Plan: Tiered Response Force (TRF), 119-508710-PLA-010, 2019	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	Only the summary will be disclosed.	The Commission finds that, in accordance with subrule 12(1)(a), the information involves nuclear security. CNL has made a non-confidential description of the information publicly available to satisfy the public interest.
2. Site Licences, Certificates, Permits, Building/Facility Contacts, & Licence Representatives, 900-514300-LST-001, 2023	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	Only the non-confidential (redacted) version will be disclosed.	The Commission finds that, in accordance with subrule 12(1)(b), the information is personal in nature, is consistently treated as confidential, and the persons affected have not consented to the disclosure.

¹ [Canadian Nuclear Laboratories Ltd.'s Request for Confidentiality of Material Submitted in Relation to CMD # 24-H7, September 4, 2024](#)

² [Canadian Nuclear Laboratories Ltd.'s Request for Confidentiality of Material Submitted in Relation to CMD # 24-H7, October 9, 2024](#)

				CNL has provided a redacted version to satisfy the public interest.
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Where the Commission has ruled in favour of confidentiality, the Commission is satisfied that:

- as per subrule 12(1)(a) and (b) of the Rules, the above documents include information that:
 - involves nuclear security or
 - is personal in nature, that is treated consistently as confidential, and the persons affected have not consented to the disclosure
- as per 12(2)(a) and 12(2)(b) of the Rules, protection of the information outweighs in importance the public interest in public hearings and disclosure of evidence, and the measures are designed so as not to affect the public nature of the proceeding except to the extent necessary to adequately protect the information.

Therefore, as per subrule 12(3)(b) of the Rules, the Commission requires that the publication of information given to the Commission be restricted for items 1 and 2, as described in Table 1.

Dr. Timothy Berube
Presiding Member

Date