

Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission

Commission canadienne de sûreté nucléaire

Revised Notice of Public Hearing

April 18, 2023

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CNSC to conduct a public hearing on École Polytechnique de Montréal's application to renew its SLOWPOKE-2 reactor operating licence

The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) will hold a public hearing in April 2023 to consider an application from École Polytechnique de Montréal (EPM) to renew its non-power reactor operating licence for its SLOWPOKE-2 facility for a period of 10 years. The facility is located in Montréal, Quebec, on the traditional territory of the Anishinabek, Haudenosaunee, Huron-Wendat, Kanien'keha:ka, and Mohawk peoples. This revised notice is to announce that, due to the possibility of a strike by the Public Service Alliance of Canada, the public hearing will now be conducted as a public hearing in writing.

The current licence authorizes EPM to operate its SLOWPOKE-2 non-power reactor until June 30, 2023. The proposed 10-year licence would allow EPM to continue operating the SLOWPOKE-2 reactor in order to provide educational and research support.

Date:April 2023Place:Public hearing in writing

To assist Indigenous Nations and communities, members of the public, and stakeholders in reviewing EPM's application and associated documents, and as previously set out in the notice of public hearing published on June 6, 2022, participant funding of up to \$15,000 was made available through the CNSC's <u>Participant Funding Program</u> (PFP). The deadline to submit a completed participant funding application form to the CNSC was August 12, 2022. Information on the PFP decision is available on the <u>CNSC website</u>.

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 were invited to comment on EPM's application. The deadline to file a request to intervene was March 14, 2023. One written intervention was received and is available on the <u>CNSC website</u>.

A panel of the Commission will consider the written submissions from EPM and from CNSC staff, as well as the written intervention received from a member of the public. The Commission will then deliberate and render a decision on EPM's application. Following the deliberations and decision of the Commission 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.

All hearing materials are available for download on the <u>CNSC website</u> or on request to the Commission Registry.

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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