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Written submission from the **Northern Settlement of Uranium City**

Mémoire du **Northern Settlement of Uranium City**

In the Matter of the

À l'égard de

Cameco Corporation, **Cigar Lake Operation**

Cameco Corporation, établissement de Cigar Lake

Application for the renewal of Cameco's uranium mine licence for the Cigar Lake Operation

Demande de renouvellement du permis de mine d'uranium de Cameco pour l'établissement de Cigar Lake

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Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission

280 Slater St., Ottawa, ON

Re: Intervention letter on the renewal application for Cameco's uranium mine licence for the Cigar Lake Operation

Dear Secretariat, Senior Tribunal Officer:

My name is Dean Classen and I am the Chair of the local advisory committee of the Northern Settlement of Uranium City, Saskatchewan. I am writing this letter of support for the renewal of Cameco's uranium mine license for the Cigar Lake Operation. The Cigar Lake Operation is a leader of the uranium mining industry and I am proud to have such a sustainable, safety-oriented, and community-focused organization housed within the northern part of our province.

The renewal of the uranium mine license for the Cigar Lake Operation will provide a continuing positive relationship of our community with Cameco for decades to come. Cameco has played an essential role in developing the workforce of northern peoples by providing training and employment opportunities. Furthermore, Cameco has demonstrated a strong interest in building and maintaining working relationships with Indigenous people. One example of this is the collaborative relationship with Ya' The Néné furthering the opportunity for community growth, education, and business development

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opportunities. Cameco has invested in the communities of Northern Saskatchewan and their work has directly impacted the quality of life of the community members today.

Cameco has transitioned through the start-up and operation phases in a safe manner. Safety has been the highest priority at the Cigar Lake Operation. Workers were kept safe and properly protected. All treated water released from the facility met regulatory requirements to ensure the safety of the environment and people nearby. In addition, Cameco has taken proactive measures during the COVID-19 pandemic to ensure the safety of its workers, their families, and communities.

I strongly believe Cameco has the programs, processes, and people in place to ensure continued safe production throughout the next licence term and I look forward to our continued relationship with them.

Respectfully,

Dean Classen