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In the Matter of the

À l'égard de

**Cameco Corporation,  
Blind River Refinery**

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**Cameco Corporation,  
Raffinerie de Blind River**

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**Application to renew licence for Cameco  
Corporation's Blind River Refinery**

**Demande de renouvellement de permis pour  
la raffinerie de Blind River appartenant à  
Cameco Corporation**

**Commission Public Hearing**

**Audience publique de la Commission**

**November 24-25, 2021**

**24-25 novembre 2021**

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Dear President and Commission Members,

My name is Chris Zagar and I am a Trainer in the Health, Safety and Training department at the Blind River Refinery and started my career here in the analytical lab.

I've worked at the refinery and lived in Blind River for over 13 years. During my time here, I have seen firsthand the tremendous positive socio-economic impact that Cameco's operations have had on the local community. It is very difficult to find a community initiative, club or event that Cameco and its employees hasn't supported in some way.

I am also the Director of Technical Services on the board of our local curling club, and I can attest that without Cameco's presence

in the community and the support they provide, our club may not have survived the shutdowns caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Cameco is a corporation that puts safety and protection of the environment at the forefront of what they do. The Blind River Refinery has not had a lost time accident in over 15 years and has not had a single environmental incident during this licensing period.

Cameco and its employees are woven into the community of Blind River and the surrounding areas. Surveys show 96% approval in the public opinion of the Blind River Refinery operations.

I strongly recommend that the license renewal request for Cameco's Blind River Refinery be approved. This operation provides significant benefits to the local community and economy while maintaining excellent performance in health and safety as well as environmental protection.

Sincerely,



Christopher Zagar