



## **Supplementary Information**

**Written submission from the Northern Saskatchewan Environmental Quality Committee on the Request for Ruling filed by the Ya'thi Néné Land and Resource Office**

In the Matter of the

**Cameco Corporation, Beaverlodge Project**

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**Application to amend its licence to allow release of 18 Beaverlodge Project properties from CNSC licensing**

**Commission Public Hearing**

**March 24, 2022**

## **Renseignements supplémentaires**

**Mémoire du Northern Saskatchewan Environmental Quality Committee au sujet de la demande de décision déposée par le Bureau des terres et des ressources de Ya'thi Néné**

À l'égard de

**Cameco Corporation, Projet Beaverlodge**

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**Demande de modification du permis de Cameco visant à retirer 18 propriétés du projet Beaverlodge du contrôle de la CCSN**

**Audience publique de la Commission**

**24 mars 2022**

March 9, 2022

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Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission  
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Re: NSEQC letter on Request for Ruling to adjourn the Request for Release of 18 Beaverlodge Properties for 12 months or indefinitely.

Senior Tribunal Officer:

On behalf of the Northern Saskatchewan Environmental Quality Committee (NSEQC), I am pleased to provide a letter regarding the Request for Ruling filed by the Ya'thi Néné Land and Resource office to adjourn the Public Hearing **on March 24, 2022**, for 12 months or indefinitely.

The NSEQC is a Saskatchewan provincial government advisory committee of municipalities and First Nations communities, representing a broad cross-section of First Nations and Métis across the north. These communities and their representatives have given northerners an influential voice in the uranium industry for the last 27 years. The representatives come from municipalities and First Nations alike, and these individuals include people of First Nations (Dene and Cree), Métis, and non-Indigenous heritage.

The NSEQC cultivates and reinforces positive relationships among northern communities, northern resource developers, and federal and provincial government regulators. It builds trust and confidence in decisions related to developments in the resource sector, particularly uranium.

On the 2nd and 3rd of March 2022, the NSEQC held its first General Meeting since the COVID-19 pandemic began. The meeting included nine communities and First Nations, including Uranium City, Denare Beach, Creighton, Peter Ballantyne Cree Nation, Lac La Ronge Indian Band, Green Lake, Pinehouse, Ile a La Crosse, and La Loche. The Request for Ruling filed by the Ya'thi Néné Land and Resource office was brought to the committee's attention. The NSEQC believes there should be an opportunity to tour the sites on foot and allow for the Ya'thi Néné Land and Resource Office to complete their own investigation before the license request is considered. Therefore, we support Ya'thi Néné's Request for Ruling. As such a motion was passed:

**Motion:** "That the release of the 18 properties at Beaverlodge not be approved until further investigation, including by communities outside the Athabasca region". A. Augier, Seconder B. Fidler. Carried.

The Northern Saskatchewan Environmental Quality Committee supports the Request for Ruling submitted by the Ya'thi Néné Land and Resource Office, that the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) adjourn the Public Hearing on March 24, 2022, 12 months or indefinitely.

We want to take this opportunity to acknowledge the efforts of CNSC staff and the expertise they possess in regulating uranium operations in this region. We get responses when we ask for them, and we feel our input is valued.

Sincerely,

Allen Augier - Athabasca NSEQC Co-Chair  
Bruce Fidler - South Central NSEQC Co-Chair  
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