



Notice of Public Hearing and Participant Funding

July 21, 2025

Ref. 2026-H7

CNSC to conduct public hearing on Ontario Power Generation's application to refurbish the Pickering Nuclear Generating Station and renew its Pickering Nuclear Generating Station and Waste Management Facility licences

The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) will hold a 2-part public hearing on April 1, 2026, and the week of June 22, 2026, to consider an application from Ontario Power Generation (OPG) to authorize the refurbishment of the [Pickering Nuclear Generating Station](#) (PNGS), and to renew its power reactor operating licence for the PNGS and its waste facility operating licence for the Pickering Waste Management Facility (PWMF) for a 10-year period. Both facilities are located at the Pickering nuclear site in Ontario, on the traditional lands and waters of the Michi Saagiig Anishinaabeg, the Gunshot Treaty (1877–88), the Williams Treaties (1923), and the Williams Treaties Settlement Agreement (2018).

OPG's current power reactor operating licence for the PNGS and waste facility operating licence for the PWMF are valid until August 31, 2028. OPG is currently authorized to operate Units 5 to 8 until December 31, 2026. As part of its application, OPG is seeking to consolidate the licensed activities of the separate licences into a single Pickering power reactor operating licence.

Hearing details

Date (Part 1): April 1, 2026
Place: To be determined (Nation Capital Region and/or virtually via Zoom)
Time: As set by the agenda published prior to the hearing date

Date (Part 2): Week of June 22, 2026
Place: To be determined (in the community in the vicinity of Pickering and/or virtually via Zoom)
Time: As set by the agenda published prior to the hearing date

The public hearing will be webcast live and available on the CNSC website at cnsn.gc.ca. Additional details about the public hearing will be issued at a later date.

During Part 1 of the hearing, the Commission will consider oral and written submissions, related to OPG's application, from OPG and CNSC staff. During Part 2 of the hearing, the Commission will consider oral and written interventions from Indigenous Nations and communities, members of the public and other interested parties.

OPG's licence renewal application will be available on request to the Commission Registry after June 30, 2025. OPG's submission and CNSC staff's recommendations to be considered at the hearing will be available on the CNSC website, or on request to the Registry, after **March 1, 2026**.

Participant funding

In advance of the public hearing, the CNSC is making up to **\$250,000** in funding available through its Participant Funding Program. The purpose of this funding is to assist Indigenous Nations and communities, members of the public and interested parties in reviewing CNSC staff's and OPG's submissions to the Commission, as well as in participating in the hearing process by providing topic-specific interventions to the Commission. Participant funding applications must clearly demonstrate how the proposed submission will provide the Commission with information directly related to OPG's application. Please note that the \$250,000 will be disbursed among all successful applicants. The deadline for submitting a completed participant funding application form is **September 15, 2025**.

Interventions

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 are invited to comment on OPG's application. Requests to intervene must be filed with the Commission Registry by **May 11, 2026**, using the [online request form](#), [email](#), or the contact information below. **The request to intervene must include the following information:**

- a written submission of the comments to be presented to the Commission, including an appendix with all documents mentioned as references in the written submission
- a statement setting out whether the requester wishes to intervene by way of written submission only or by way of written submission and oral presentation
- the requester's name, address, telephone number and email address

Oral presenters that wish to use a PowerPoint presentation are asked to submit their slide decks to the Commission Registry by **June 8, 2026**. All submissions will be available for [download](#) on the CNSC website, through the CNSC Open Government Portal or on request

to the Commission Registry. Personal information, such as email address and telephone number, is essential for linking the submission to its author. If you wish to ensure the confidentiality of your personal information, please submit it on a separate page.

Individuals who require Indigenous language interpretation for the hearing are asked to contact the Commission Registry by **January 9, 2026**, to request interpretation services. If the request is received after this date, the Commission Registry will do its best to provide interpretation services.

Obligation for providing documentary material for the record

Under rule 15 of the [Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission Rules of Procedure](#), any documentary evidence, written submission or other material filed with the Commission shall be open to the participants and the public (subject to any confidentiality measures taken by the Commission, as described below). In order to provide a clear record of the information that is before the Commission, all participants should submit to the Commission Registry, along with their substantive submissions, any reference materials used to support their position. Reference materials must be directly appended to the submission or filed under separate cover, as appropriate, to be considered on the record. Items cited in and/or hyperlinked from the body of the main submissions but not filed will not be considered as part of the record and will not be taken into account in the Commission's deliberations.

Confidentiality

Under rule 12 of the [Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission Rules of Procedure](#), the Commission can decide to take measures to protect confidential information. Persons considering filing information that may be confidential in nature are asked to contact the Commission Registry in advance of their submission deadline for information on how to request that the Commission decide on whether to take measures to protect that information, and what those measures should be.

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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