

CNSC Participant Funding Program Decision

AREVA Resources Canada Inc.'s McClean Lake Mine and Mill Operating Licence Renewal



April 12, 2017





On October 14, 2016, the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) announced it was offering up to \$75,000 under its Participant Funding Program (PFP) to assist members of the public, Indigenous groups, and other stakeholders participate in the licence application review and Commission hearing processes for AREVA Resources Canada Inc.'s McClean Lake mine and mill operating licence renewal. The deadline for submitting participant funding applications to the CNSC was December 12, 2016.

Background

Participant funding was made available by the CNSC to:

- provide new, distinctive and valuable information to the CNSC through informed and topic-specific interventions
- assist interested parties in preparing for and participating in the licence application review and Commission hearing processes for the matter at hand

A funding review committee (FRC), independent of the CNSC, was established to review the funding applications received by the CNSC's PFP administrator, and to make recommendations to the CNSC on the allocation of up to \$75,000 for eligible applicants.

The FRC members were:

- Mr. Guy Riverin, environmental assessment expert and retired federal public servant
- Mr. Paul Scott, retired Regional Director of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency's Vancouver office
- Mr. Bruce Young, retired Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency Director

The CNSC received 10 PFP applications requesting a total of \$164,434.24, and these were reviewed by the FRC. The FRC completed its review of the Participant Funding Applications received by the CNSC and concluded that 9 out of 10 applications met the eligibility requirements and lay within the scope of the project.

Eligibility and funding criteria

For more information on participant funding and how it works, including details on eligibility and funding criteria, please read the *Participant Funding Program Guide*.

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The CNSC carefully considered the FRC's recommendations on the allocation of participant funding for the McClean Lake licence renewal and approved the reimbursement of up to \$75,289 to the following recipients:

Applicant	Maximum amount of available funding
1. Kineepik Metis Local Inc. (#9) Pinehouse	\$14,100

2.	David Parker	\$4,180
3.	Ya'thi Néné Lands and Resource Office	\$34,050
4.	Saskatchewan Environmental Society	\$5,780
5.	Dr. Philip D. McLoughlin	\$3,850
6.	Angela Laventure (President of Unifor Local 48s)	\$1,129
7.	Lac La Ronge Indian Band	\$3,200
8.	Buffalo River Dene Nation	\$4,500
9.	Birch Narrows Dene Nation	\$4,500
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