

## Notice of Public Hearing

April 1, 2004 Ref. 2004-H-9

The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) announces three separate public hearings concerning Cameco Corporation's application to the CNSC for the authorization to construct a uranium mining facility at the Cigar Lake Project site located near Wollaston Lake in northern Saskatchewan.

**The first hearing** will be a one-day public hearing on June 10, 2004 to consider the results of an Environmental Assessment Screening Report (EA Screening Report) on the proposed construction of the Cigar Lake uranium mining facility. The environmental assessment is being conducted pursuant to the requirements of the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* (CEAA).

The public is invited to comment on the results of the EA Screening Report either by oral presentation or written submission. The final EA Screening Report and submissions from CNSC staff and Cameco Corporation will be available on April 8, 2004. The one-day public hearing on the EA Screening Report will be held on:

One-Day Hearing: June 10, 2004

Place: Kikinahk Friendship Centre, 320 Boardman St., La Ronge,

Saskatchewan

Time: 8:30 a.m. Intervention deadline: May 7, 2004

Only if, following the above-noted environmental assessment hearing on June 10, 2004, the Commission concludes that the project is not likely to cause significant adverse environmental effects, taking into account the appropriate mitigation measures, the Commission would, as outlined below, hear the licensing applications by Cameco Corporation for construction activities at the Cigar Lake facility.

**The second hearing** would be a one-day public hearing on July 7, 2004 to consider the application by Cameco Corporation for surface construction activities at the Cigar Lake facility in 2004.

The public is invited to comment on the application for the surface construction activities either by oral presentation or written submission. Commission documents will be available on May 7, 2004.



The one-day public hearing on the surface construction activities would be held on:

One-Day Hearing: July 7, 2004

Place: CNSC Public Hearing Room, 14<sup>th</sup> floor, 280 Slater Street, Ottawa,

Ontario

Intervention deadline: June 3, 2004

**The third hearing** would be a two-day public hearing on July 7 and November 17, 2004 to consider Cameco Corporation's application for a full construction licence at the Cigar Lake facility.

The public is invited to comment on the application for a full construction licence either by oral presentation or written submission on Hearing Day 2. The two-day public hearing on the full construction activities would be held on:

Hearing Day One: July 7, 2004

Hearing Day Two: November 17, 2004

Place: CNSC Public Hearing Room, 14<sup>th</sup> floor, 280 Slater Street, Ottawa,

Ontario

Intervention deadline: October 18, 2004

Requests to participate and text of oral presentations or written submissions must be filed by the above respective deadlines with the Secretary of the Commission. Please send interventions to:

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Members of the public are welcome to observe public hearings. For current agendas and information on the hearing process, visit the CNSC Web site: www.nuclearsafety.gc.ca