

Revised Notice of Public Hearing

March 7, 2003 Ref. 2003-H-7

Revision

On January 29, 2003, the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) announced two separate public hearings concerning the Point Lepreau Solid Radioactive Waste Management Facility (SRWMF) in Point Lepreau, New Brunswick. The CNSC announces revisions to the deadline to submit interventions on the matter of the Environmental Assessment Screening Report on the proposed modifications to the SRWMF. The following are the deadlines and location for the two hearings:

1. Renewal of licence for Point Lepreau SRWMF:

One public hearing concerns an application by New Brunswick Power Corporation (NB Power), Fredericton, New Brunswick for the renewal of the operating licence for the existing Point Lepreau SRWMF. The hearing will be a two-day public hearing held on:

Hearing Day One: April 10, 2003, CNSC Public Hearing Room, 14th floor, 280 Slater Street,

Ottawa, Ontario

Hearing Day Two: June 27, 2003, Delta Hotel, 39 King Street, Saint John, New Brunswick

Intervention deadline: May 28, 2003

Commission documents for hearing Day One will be available March 11, 2003.

2. Environmental Assessment Screening Report – Proposed Modifications to the SRWMF:

The other public hearing is for the purpose of considering the results of an Environmental Assessment of the proposed modifications to the SRWMF. The Environmental Assessment Screening Report is being carried out in accordance with the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* and the *Environmental Impact Assessment Regulation* of the *New Brunswick Clean Environment Act*. The hearing will be a one-day public hearing held on:

One-Day Hearing: June 27, 2003, Delta Hotel, 39 King Street, Saint John, New Brunswick Intervention deadline: June 11, 2003 (**Revised**)
Commission Documents will be available May 12, 2003 (**Revised**)

If, following the hearing on the environmental assessment, the Commission concludes that the proposed modifications to the SRWMF are not likely to cause significant adverse environmental effects, taking into account appropriate mitigation measures, the Commission will hold, at a later



date, a further public hearing on NB Power's application for a licence amendment to authorize the completion of the proposed modifications to the SRWMF.

The public is invited to intervene on June 27, 2003, either by oral presentation or written submission. Please specify whether the intervention is with respect to (1) the request to renew the existing operating licence for the SRWMF, or (2) the Environmental Assessment of the proposed modifications to the SRWMF. Requests to intervene and text of oral presentations or written submissions must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission no later than May 28, 2003 for the renewal of the SRWMF licence hearing and June 11, 2003 for the Environmental Assessment Screening Report – Proposed Modifications to SRWMF hearing. 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