



Notice of Public Hearing

July 3, 2003

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The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) will hold a one-day public hearing on the Environmental Assessment Guidelines (EA Guidelines) for the Deloro Mine Site Remediation project located in Ontario.

One-Day Hearing: September 26, 2003

Place: CNSC Public Hearing Room, 14th Floor, 280 Slater Street, Ottawa, Ontario

Public hearings begin at 8:30 AM and follow the agenda published prior to the hearing date.

The Ontario Ministry of the Environment (OMOE) sent CNSC staff a letter of intent to apply for a licence to implement plans to complete the remediation of the Deloro Mine Site, located near the former Village of Deloro, Ontario. The purpose of the proposal is to provide for the long-term onsite management of contaminated soils and low-level radioactive wastes currently located at and in the vicinity of the Deloro Mine Site. CNSC authorization of the project would be provided through a Waste Nuclear Substance Licence under the *Nuclear Safety and Control Act*.

Before the CNSC makes its decision on the OMOE's application, an environmental assessment must be completed in compliance with the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act*. The purpose of the environmental assessment is to determine if the project, taking into account the appropriate mitigation measures, is likely to cause significant adverse environmental effects.

The draft EA Guidelines (scoping document) were made available to the public on May 9, 2003, and the public comment period closed on June 6, 2003. The revised draft EA Guidelines will be presented to the Commission on September 26, 2003. Commission documents will be available July 25, 2003.

The public is invited to comment on the EA Guidelines either by oral presentation or written submission. Requests to participate and text of oral presentations or written submissions must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission by August 25, 2003. Please send to:

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The Commission will hold a public hearing on the results of the environmental assessment prepared in accordance with the approved EA Guidelines and on the licence application at a later date. Information on the environmental assessment is available on the CNSC website.

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**.