

Notice of Hearing

October 20, 2006 Ref. 2006-H-117

The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) will hold a hearing to consider the results of an Environmental Assessment Screening (EA Screening) of AREVA Resources Canada Inc.'s (AREVA) proposal to install and operate a ferric sulphate production circuit at the McClean Lake Operation located in Northern Saskatchewan.

Hearing: October 25, 2006

Place: CNSC Headquarters at 280 Slater Street, Ottawa, Ontario

The hearing will follow the agenda published prior to the hearing date.

AREVA has applied for authorization to produce liquid ferric sulphate from iron ore transported to the McClean Lake site. Under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* (CEAA), an environmental assessment must be completed to determine if the project is likely to cause significant adverse environmental effects, taking into account the appropriate mitigation measures. If the Commission concludes that the project is not likely to cause significant adverse environmental effects, it may proceed with a licensing hearing on AREVA's application.

The public is invited to attend and observe the hearing. However, there is no opportunity for the public to intervene at this hearing. Stakeholders were consulted in the preparation of the EA Screening Report. The transcript and, once completed, a Record of Proceeding, including the Reasons for Decision, will be published on the CNSC Web site.

Agendas and information on the public hearing process are available at the CNSC Web site: www.nuclearsafety.gc.ca. Hearing documents (submissions) are not available on-line and must be requested through the Secretariat at the address below:

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