Notice of Postponement of Public Hearing

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The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) announces the postponement of a two-day public hearing on an application by New Brunswick Power Nuclear Corporation (NB Power Nuclear) for the renewal of its licence to operate the Point Lepreau Nuclear Generating Station. The facility is located southwest of Saint John, New Brunswick, on the Lepreau Peninsula.

The public hearing was scheduled to be held on September 14 and November 30, 2005. A new notice of public hearing will be published once a date has been determined.

A Designated Officer of the CNSC has granted a six-month extension of the current operating licence which was due to expire on December 31, 2005. That extension until June 30, 2006 will allow the facility to operate while further studies are completed in support of NB Power Nuclear's revised application for a five-year licence to operate and commence refurbishment of the reactor for a future design life extension.

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