



Notice of Hearing in Writing

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Ref. 2021-H-104

CNSC to conduct a hearing in writing on Saskatchewan Research Council's application for a licence to abandon the SLOWPOKE-2 reactor facility

The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) will conduct a hearing based on written submissions in July 2021. The hearing is to consider an application from the Saskatchewan Research Council (SRC) for the revocation of its non-power reactor operating licence following the decommissioning of its SLOWPOKE-2 reactor facility (SRCSF), as well as for the issuance of a licence to abandon the SRCSF. The SRCSF is located in Saskatoon, Saskatchewan.

The current licence authorizes SRC to operate the SRCSF, transition the reactor into a safe state, and to decommission the reactor facility. All decommissioning work associated with the SRCSF has been completed. In its request for a licence to abandon, SRC is seeking approval for the release of the SRCSF from CNSC regulatory control.

Pursuant to Rule 3 of the [Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission Rules of Procedure](#) (the Rules), the Commission has decided to vary the Rules in order to ensure that this hearing is dealt with as informally and expeditiously as the circumstances and the considerations of fairness permit. The Commission will consider written submissions from SRC and CNSC staff. A panel of the Commission will then deliberate and render a decision on SRC's application.

SRC's application for a licence to abandon is posted on its [website](#). The hearing submissions from SRC and CNSC staff will be available on the CNSC website, or on request to the Secretariat, after **June 30, 2021**.

Following the deliberations and Commission decision on this matter, a record of decision will be published on the CNSC website at [nuclearsafety.gc.ca](#) and made available on request. A decision from the Commission is anticipated in July 2021.

For further information on the public Commission hearing process, or on the licensee or the facility being considered in this matter, or to request documents, contact:

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