May 31, 2010

The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) will hold a two-day public hearing on Hydro-Québec’s application to renew and combine its operating licences for the Gentilly-2 nuclear reactor and its solid radioactive waste management facility in Bécancour, Québec. Hydro-Québec is requesting a five-year licence term.

Under its current licences, Hydro-Québec is authorized to operate the Gentilly-2 Nuclear Generating Station and its waste management facility, to possess and handle certain nuclear substances and to carry out other activities described in the licences.

Hearing Day One: August 18, 2010
Place: CNSC Public Hearing Room, 14th floor,
280 Slater Street, Ottawa, Ontario
Time: as set by the agenda published prior to the hearing date

Hearing Day Two: November 3 and 4, 2010
Place: Auberge Godefroy, 17575, Bécancour Blvd, St-Grégoire Sector,
Bécancour, Québec
Time: as set by the agenda published prior to the hearing date

The public hearing will be webcasted live and will be archived for a period of 90 days on the CNSC Web site.

The public is invited to comment on Hydro-Québec’s application on Hearing Day Two. Requests to intervene must be filed with the Secretary of the Commission by October 4, directly on-line at http://www.nuclear.safety.gc.ca/eng/commission/intervention/index.cfm or at the address below. The request must include the following information, as per the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission Rules of Procedure:

- a written submission of the comments to be presented to the Commission;
- a statement setting out whether the requester wishes to intervene by way of written submission only or by way of written submission and oral presentation; and
- the name, address and telephone number of the requester.

Personal information, such as address and telephone numbers, is essential for linking the submission to its author. Please submit your personal information on a separate page if you wish to ensure its confidentiality. Note that all written submissions will be available to the public upon request to the Secretariat.
Hydro-Québec’s submission and CNSC’s staff recommendations to be considered at Hearing Day One will be available after July 19, 2010. These documents are not available on-line and must be requested through the Secretariat at the address below. Agendas, hearing transcripts and information on the hearing process are available at the CNSC Web site: www.nuclearsafety.gc.ca.

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