



CNSC Participant Funding Program Decision

CNSC Staff Meeting with Buffalo River Dene Nation and Birch Narrows Dene Nation to Discuss the McClean Lake Operation Licence Renewal



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Through its Participant Funding Program (PFP), the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) offered up to \$16,700 to facilitate a meeting on May 25, 2017 between CNSC staff and the Buffalo River Dene Nation and Birch Narrows Dene Nation to discuss the McClean Lake Operation licence renewal.

To directly bring any valuable information received to the Commission, the information gathered from the meeting was included in the presentation by CNSC staff for the McClean Lake licence renewal hearing, held on June 7 and 8, 2017. The deadline for submitting the participant funding application to the CNSC was May 10, 2017.

Background

Participant funding was made available by the CNSC to:

- enhance Indigenous and stakeholder participation in the CNSC's environmental assessment and licensing processes
- help Indigenous groups bring valuable information to the Commission

A funding review committee (FRC), independent of the CNSC, was established to review the two funding applications received by the CNSC's PFP administrator and to make recommendations to the CNSC on the allocation of up to \$16,700 for eligible applicants.

The FRC members were:

- Guy Riverin, environmental assessment expert and retired federal public servant
- Paul Scott, retired regional director of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency's Vancouver office
- Bruce Young, a retired director of the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency

The FRC reviewed the two PFP applications received by the CNSC; the applicants had requested a total of \$16,700.

Eligibility and funding criteria

For more information on participant funding and how it works, including details on eligibility and funding criteria, please read the [PFP guide](#).

CNSC participant funding decision

The CNSC has carefully considered the recommendations of the independent FRC for the allocation of participant funding concerning a meeting between CNSC staff and Buffalo River Dene Nation and Birch Narrows Dene Nation, and has approved the reimbursement of up to \$16,700 to the following recipients:

Applicant	Maximum amount of available funding
Birch Narrows Dene Nation	\$8,100
Buffalo River Dene Nation	\$8,600
Total	\$16,700

Additional information

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