



**NIRB File No.: 09MN003**

March 2, 2015

To: Kiggavik Distribution List

*Sent via email*

**Re: Revised Agenda for the upcoming Final Hearing for the NIRB's Review of AREVA Resources Canada Inc.'s Kiggavik Uranium Mine Project Proposal**

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Dear Parties,

On February 20, 2015 the Nunavut Impact Review Board (NIRB or Board) distributed the Final Agenda for the upcoming Final Hearing in Baker Lake from March 2 to 14, 2015 for the Board's Review of AREVA Resources Canada Inc.'s (AREVA or the Proponent) Kiggavik Uranium Mine Project Proposal (NIRB File No. 09MN003). Due to inclement weather and resultant travel delays, the NIRB postponed the commencement of the Final Hearing to Tuesday, March 3 at 1:00 pm. A revised agenda for the Final Hearing has been attached to this correspondence for the information of all parties.

Currently, the sessions are expected to start as follows:

- Technical Sessions: March 3-7, 2015
- Community Roundtable Sessions: March 9-14, 2015

When revising the final agenda the Board has endeavoured to provide consideration for the delayed arrival of several parties, as well as the limited availability of several intervenors which are unable to attend the full Final Hearing proceedings. Parties are advised that the NIRB intends to utilize additional evening sessions as may be required to ensure sufficient time to cover all required agenda items.

Should you have any questions or require clarification regarding the next steps in the Board's Review of the proposed Kiggavik Uranium Mine Project, please contact Heather Rasmussen, Technical Advisor, at [hiasmussen@nirb.ca](mailto:hiasmussen@nirb.ca).

Sincerely,



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cc: Diane Martens, AREVA Resources Canada Inc.

Attached: Appendix A: Revised Final Hearing Agenda

## APPENDIX A: REVISED FINAL HEARING AGENDA

**NIRB File No.:** 09MN003 – Kiggavik Uranium Mine project proposal  
**Proponent:** AREVA Resources Canada Inc.  
**Location:** Community Hall, Baker Lake  
**Dates:** March 3-14, 2015

**Times:** **All times given are approximate. The order of presenters and time given for presentations are subject to change at the Chairperson's discretion during the Hearing:**

Technical Sessions: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm  
Community Roundtable Sessions: 9:00 am – 5:00 pm  
Evening Sessions: 6:30 pm – 9:00 pm

**Note (1):** Witnesses appearing on behalf of registered Intervenors will be sworn in/affirmed and exhibits will be marked in advance of testimony being given. Panels of witnesses may be used for the presentation of evidence.

**Note (2):** All testimony will be recorded and transcribed by the Board, and may also be recorded by the media.

### Tuesday March 3, 2015 – Day 1 Revised

#### General Opening (1:00 p.m. start time)

1. Opening Remarks by the Chairperson with introductions, overview of procedural history, structure of proceedings, etc. (30 minutes)
2. Identification of motions or objections
3. Welcoming Remarks by the Mayor of Baker Lake (15 minutes)

#### Technical session

4. Swearing in/affirmation of Proponent's witnesses and marking of exhibits
5. Presentations by the Proponent - Note: time for questions by Board Members and Intervenors will be provided following presentations:
  - i. Introduction & Overview (40 minutes)
  - ii. Atmospheric Environment (40 minutes)

Close of Day 1

### Wednesday March 4, 2015 – Day 2 Revised (includes planned evening session)

#### General Opening

6. Opening Remarks by the Chairperson

#### Technical session (Continued from Day 1)

7. Presentations by the Proponent (cont'd) - Note: time for questions by Board Members and Intervenors will be provided following presentations:
  - i. Terrestrial Environment (*40 minutes*)
  - ii. Freshwater Environment (*40 minutes*)
  - iii. Marine Environment (*40 minutes*)
  - iv. Public Participation and Engagement (*40 minutes*)
  - v. Socio-Economics (*40 minutes*)

Close of Day 2

**Thursday March 5, 2015 – Day 3 Revised (includes scheduled evening session)**

General Opening

8. Opening Remarks by the Chairperson

Technical session (Continued from Day 2)

9. Presentations by the Proponent (cont'd) - Note: time for questions by Board Members and Intervenors will be provided following presentations:
  - vi. Human Health (*40 minutes*)
  - vii. Accidents and Malfunctions (*40 minutes*)
10. Presentations from registered Intervenors – Note: witnesses appearing on behalf of registered Intervenors will be sworn in/affirmed and exhibits will be marked in advance of testimony being given. Unless otherwise indicated, each Intervenor has been allotted 30 minutes for their presentations. Following each Intervenor's presentation there will be time for questions by Board Members, other Intervenors and the Proponent.
  - i. Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated/Kivalliq Inuit Association (*60 minutes*)
  - ii. Government of Nunavut (*60 minutes*)
  - iii. Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (*30 minutes*)

Close of Day 3

**Friday March 6, 2015 – Day 4 Revised**

General Opening

11. Opening Remarks by the Chairperson

Technical session (Continued from Day 3)

12. Presentations from registered Intervenors – Note: witnesses appearing on behalf of registered Intervenors will be sworn in/affirmed and exhibits will be marked in advance of testimony being given. Unless otherwise indicated, each Intervenor has been allotted 30 minutes for their presentations. Following each Intervenor's presentation there will be time for questions by Board Members, other Intervenors and the Proponent.
  - i. Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (*60 minutes*)
  - ii. Environment Canada (*45 minutes*)

- iii. Fisheries and Oceans Canada (30 minutes)
  - iv. Natural Resources Canada (30 minutes)
  - v. Transport Canada (30 minutes)
13. Presentations from registered Intervenors – Note: witnesses appearing on behalf of registered Intervenors will be sworn in/affirmed and exhibits will be marked in advance of testimony being given. Unless otherwise indicated, each Intervenor has been allotted 30 minutes for their presentations. Following each Intervenor’s presentation there will be time for questions by Board Members, other Intervenors and the Proponent.
- i. Hamlet of Baker Lake (30 minutes)
  - ii. Baker Lake Hunters and Trappers Organization (30 minutes)
  - iii. Nunavummiut Makitaganarningit (30 minutes)

Close of Day 4

### **Saturday March 7, 2015 – Day 5 Revised**

#### General Opening

14. Opening Remarks by the Chairperson

#### Technical session (Continued from Day 4)

15. Presentations from registered Intervenors – Note: witnesses appearing on behalf of registered Intervenors will be sworn in/affirmed and exhibits will be marked in advance of testimony being given. Unless otherwise indicated, each Intervenor has been allotted 30 minutes for their presentations. Following each Intervenor’s presentation there will be time for questions by Board Members, other Intervenors and the Proponent.
- i. Lutsel K’e Dene First Nation (30 minutes)
  - ii. Paula Kigjugalik Hughson (30 minutes)
  - iii. Athabasca Denesuline (30 minutes)
  - iv. Beverly and Qamanirjuaq Caribou Management Board (30 minutes)

16. Proponent summary statement

Close of Day 5

### **Monday March 9, 2015 – Day 6**

#### General Opening

17. Opening Remarks by the Chairperson

#### Community Roundtable Session

18. Summary presentation by the Proponent – **Introduction and Overview** (30 minutes)
19. Summary presentation by the Proponent – **Kiggavik and Sissons sites** (30 minutes)
20. Questioning of the Proponent and Intervenors by community representatives
21. Presentations by members of the public who have advised the Chairperson that they wish to speak on this topic

22. Summary presentation by the Proponent – **Baker Lake facilities and marine shipping** (30 minutes)
23. Questioning of the Proponent and Intervenors by community representatives
24. Presentations by members of the public who have advised the Chairperson that they wish to speak on this topic
  
25. Summary presentation by the Proponent – **All-Weather Access Road and Winter Road** (30 minutes)
26. Questioning of the Proponent and Intervenors by community representatives
27. Presentations by members of the public who have advised the Chairperson that they wish to speak on this topic
  
28. Summary presentation by the Proponent – **Transport of Yellowcake to Points North, Saskatchewan** (30 minutes)
29. Questioning of the Proponent and Intervenors by community representatives
30. Presentations by members of the public who have advised the Chairperson that they wish to speak on this topic
  
31. Summary of presentation by the Proponent- **Environmental Management Plans** (30 minutes)
32. Questioning of the Proponent and Intervenors by community representatives
33. Presentations by members of the public who have advised the Chairperson that they wish to speak on this topic

Close of Day 6

**Tuesday March 10, 2015 – Day 7**

General Opening

34. Opening Remarks by the Chairperson

Community Roundtable Session

35. Questioning of the Proponent by community members – *continued*
36. Presentations by Intervenors. Note: following each Intervenors presentation there will be time for questions by community representatives and members of the public. Each Intervenors has been allotted 30 minutes for their presentations, unless otherwise indicated:
  - i. Nunavut Tunngavik Incorporated/Kivalliq Inuit Association (45 minutes)
  - ii. Government of Nunavut (45 minutes)
  - iii. Athabasca Denesuline
  - iv. Aboriginal Affairs and Northern Development Canada (45 minutes)

37. Questioning of the Proponent or Intervenors by community members

38. Presentations by members of the public who have advised the Chairperson that they wish to speak on this topic

Close of Day 7

**Wednesday March 11, 2015 – Day 8 (schedule evening session)**

Opening

39. Opening Remarks by the Chairperson

Community Roundtable Session

40. Presentations by Intervenors. Note: following each Intervenor's presentation there will be time for questions by community representatives and members of the public. Each Intervenor has been allotted 30 minutes for their presentations, unless otherwise indicated:

- v. Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (*45 minutes*)
- vi. Environment Canada
- vii. Fisheries and Oceans Canada
- viii. Natural Resources Canada
- ix. Transport Canada
- x. Hamlet of Baker Lake

41. Questioning of the Proponent or Intervenors by community members

42. Presentations by members of the public who have advised the Chairperson that they wish to speak on this topic

Close of Day 8

**Thursday March 12, 2015 – Day 9**

Opening

43. Opening Remarks by the Chairperson

Community Roundtable Session

44. Presentations by Intervenors. Note: following each Intervenor's presentation there will be time for questions by community representatives and members of the public. Each Intervenor has been allotted 30 minutes for their presentations, unless otherwise indicated:

- xi. Baker Lake Hunters and Trappers Organization
- xii. Beverly and Qamanirjuaq Caribou Management Board
- xiii. Lutsel K'e Dene First Nation
- xiv. Nunavummiut Makitagunarningit
- xv. Paula Kigjugalik Hughson

45. Questioning of the Proponent or Intervenors by community members
46. Presentations by members of the public who have advised the Chairperson that they wish to speak on this topic

Close of Day 9

**Friday March 13, 2015 – Day 10**

Opening

47. Opening Remarks by the Chairperson

Community Roundtable Session

48. Presentations by members of the public who have advised the Chairperson that they wish to speak on this topic

Close of Day 10

**Saturday March 14, 2015 – Day 11**

Opening

49. Opening Remarks by the Chairperson
50. Closing Remarks – Proponent and Intervenors (3 hours)
51. Closing Remarks – community members
52. Close of Day 11 - Note: While the agenda has been set to close the Hearing following the conclusion of the morning session on Day 11, parties are advised that the agenda may be subject to change and that the Hearing may extend into the afternoon and/or evening if required.