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Public Notice

Memoranda of Understanding on Substitution Under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act*

The Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency is making available the final versions of Memoranda of Understanding regarding pipeline and power line projects within the jurisdiction of the National Energy Board (NEB) and nuclear facilities within the jurisdiction of the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC).

The Memoranda will facilitate substitution of the review processes of the NEB and the CNSC for review panels established under the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act*. The Memoranda describe the conditions under which substitution may be approved by the Minister of the Environment.

This initiative is part of the Government of Canada's commitment to reducing duplication and making the environmental assessment process more efficient, without compromising the environment.

A public comment period was held between September 21 and October 20, 2010. Comments received were considered in the finalization of the Memoranda. They will also serve to inform the future implementation of the provisions of the Memoranda and application of the review processes of the NEB and the CNSC.

The Memoranda, a background on this initiative and general information about environmental assessments can be found at www.ceaa-acee.gc.ca.