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Les enjeux de la filière uranifère au Québec

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Objet:

[POLLURIEL (Bayes)] Regarding testimony for continued Quebec Uranium Ban

Hello there,

My name is Victor Lau. I am the Leader of the Saskatchewan Green Party (GPS).

Having lived in Saskatchewan for all of my life (43 years), I have been part of an ongoing struggle to phaseout and permanently ban our uranium mining in Sask. and elsewhere.

Being the Leader of the GPS, I have the distinct privilege of leading the Third Party in Sask. Our Green Party is in Favour of a full ban on uranium mining.

We guestion continued uranium mining in Sask (and elsewhere) on many fronts and based on important Data.

Some brief points:

- in March 2009 a Uranium Development Report that included deep public consultation showed little support for continued mining.

http://www.gov.sk.ca/adx/aspx/adxGetMedia.aspx?mediaId=767&PN=Shared

- another more recent Health/Community Outcomes Report for Northern Sask for uranium mining over 40 years showed little progress towards positive/improved outcomes

http://us.areva.com/home/liblocal/docs/Canada/2013/2013%20CVMPP%20Socioeconomic%20Report.pdf

- another recent development was the discovery by federal taxation officials that Cameco corporation, the leading uranium mining corp in Sask, was underpaying/avoiding proper taxation; \$200 million for Sask, \$600 million to the federal government.

http://m. the globe and mail. com/globe-investor/investment-ideas/came co-vs-the-taxman-the-squabble-that-keeps-on-growing/article 1898 9010/? service=mobile

- last point would be that one Bank Analyst believes uranium mining could be bleak for foreseeable future ( due to oversupply and weak nuclear power needs)

http://www.nirs.org/mononline/minedureport.pdf

In conclusion, the Green Party of Saskatchewan would strongly recommend that Quebec continue with a full ban on uranium mining And work with others to see uranium mining banned elsewhere.

Thank you for allowing my representation to your committee.

If you need or would like further detail; please contact me via email (votelau@gmail.com) Or cel phone (306-737-5345)

Sincerely, Victor Lau.