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April 13, 2026

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Re: *In the Matter of Clean Nuclear Energy Corp. Uranium Exploration Permit Application*; EXNI 453

Dear Ms. Binengar:

Enclosed please find the original Notice of Hearing and Certificate of Service intended for filing in the above-referenced matter. True and correct copies have been sent to those individuals listed in the attached Certificate of Service.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

Via electronic mail and inter-office mail

cc/encs: Parties on Attached Certificate of Service

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA
DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES

BOARD OF MINERALS AND ENVIRONMENT

IN THE MATTER OF CLEAN)	NOTICE
NUCLEAR ENERGY CORP.)	OF
URANIUM EXPLORATION PERMIT)	HEARING
APPLICATION)	
)	
EXNI 453)	

TO: **ALL PARTIES OF RECORD:**

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to SDCL § 1-26-16 and ARSD 74:09:01, the Board of Minerals and Environment (the "Board") has scheduled a hearing in the above referenced matter to be held on **Monday, May 18, 2026 through Friday, May 22, 2026**, at the **Mueller Civic Center, 801 South 6th Street, Hot Springs, South Dakota 57747**. The hearing is scheduled to begin at **9:00 A.M. Mountain Daylight Time** or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard.

The hearing will be held to determine whether a permit will be issued pursuant to SDCL Ch. 45-6D based on the application to conduct exploration for uranium filed by Clean Nuclear Energy Corp., 503-905 Pender Street W, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada V6C 1L6 (registered agent resident agent is CT Corporation System, 319 South Coteau Street, Pierre, South Dakota 57501).

The exploration area is located approximately seven miles north of Edgemont in portions of Section 36; T7S-R2E, Fall River County. Clean Nuclear Energy Corp.'s Chord Project will consist of drilling up to 50 exploration holes to a maximum vertical depth of 700 feet. In addition, the project will include 50 drill platforms each with a dimension of 60 feet by 60 feet. Exploration will be conducted utilizing reverse circulation drilling with sumps. No new road construction is proposed for this operation.

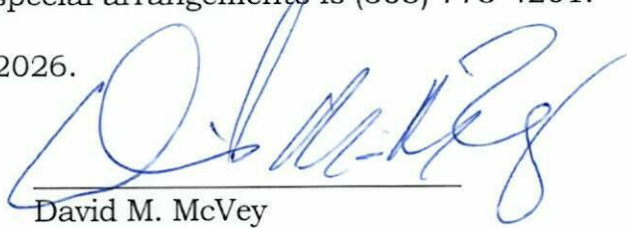
The permit, if approved, only authorizes those exploratory activities identified in the permit application and does not authorize the commencement of uranium mining activities. If the company decides to proceed with uranium mining at a later date, a state mine permit application and additional public hearings will be required prior to commencement of uranium mining.

Pursuant to SDCL Ch. 1-26 the hearing will be an adversarial proceeding at which all parties will have the right to be present and represented by legal counsel. Individual parties may represent themselves; organizations must be represented by an attorney. If any party does not exercise these and other due process rights, they will be forfeited. The decision based on the hearing may be appealed to the circuit court and the State Supreme Court as provided by law.

If the amount in controversy exceeds two thousand five hundred dollars or if a property right may be terminated, any party to the contested case may require the agency to use the Office of Hearing Examiners by giving notice of the request to the agency no later than ten days after service of a notice of hearing issued pursuant to SDCL 1-26-17.

Notice is further given to individuals with disabilities that this hearing is being held in a physically accessible place. Please notify the Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources at least 96 hours before the public hearing if you have a disability for which special arrangements must be made at the hearing. The telephone number for making special arrangements is (605) 773-4201.

Dated this 13th day of April 2026.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that the original of the NOTICE OF HEARING was served via electronic mail and inter-office mail upon the following to be filed in the above-captioned matter:

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Further, the undersigned certifies that true and correct copies of the above-referenced document(s) were served via United States Mail, First Class, postage prepaid, upon the following:

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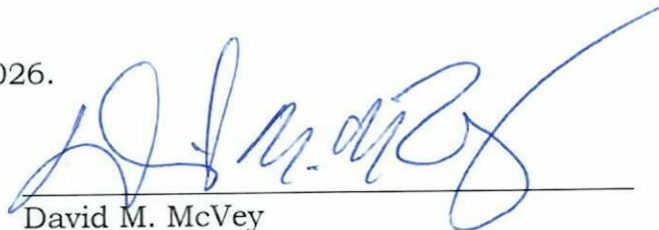
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Dated this 13th day of April 2026.



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