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August 6, 2025

Brenda Binegar
Department of Agriculture and
Natural Resources
523 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501

Re:

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

Dear Ms. Binegar:

Enclosed please find the original Notice of Entry of Order Setting a Pre-Hearing Conference on Motions 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,

David M. McVey

Assistant Attorney General

DMM/mn Enclosures

cc/encl:

Parties on Attached Certificate of Service

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & NATURAL RESOURCES Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources

BOARD OF MINERALS AND ENVIRONMENT

IN THE MATTER OF CLEAN NUCLEAR ENERGY CORP. URANIUM EXPLORATION PERMIT APPLICATION) NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER) SETTING A PRE-HEARING) CONFERENCE ON MOTIONS
EXNI 453)

TO: ALL INTERESTED PARTIES:

Please take notice that on August 5, 2025, Hearing Officer Bob Morris entered his Order Setting a Pre-Hearing Conference on Motions in the above-referenced contested action. A copy of the signed Order is attached to this Notice and hereby served upon you.

Dated this 6th day of August 2025.

David M. McVey

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Counsel for the Board of Minerals and

Environment

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

The undersigned hereby certifies that the original of the NOTICE OF ENTRY OF ORDER SETTING A PRE-HEARING CONFERENCE ON MOTIONS was served via inter-office mail upon the following to be filed in the above captioned matter:

Brenda Binegar
Department of Agriculture and
Natural Resources
523 East Capitol Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501
Secretary, Board of Minerals & Environment

Further, the undersigned certifies that a true and correct copy of the above referenced document(s) was served via United States Mail, First Class, Postage Prepaid upon the following:

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A courtesy copy of the above referenced document(s) was served by electronic mail upon the following:

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Dated this 6th day of August 2025.

David M. McVey

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A hearing on this matter is scheduled for August 20-21, 2025.

On July 11, 2025, intervenor Denise Giago filed a motion to resolve outstanding pre-Hearing Motions, set a discovery schedule, and resolve other matters.

On July 11, 2025, intervenor Denise Giago filed a motion to change the hearing location to be held in Rapid City, Hot Springs, or on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation.

On July 14, 2025 the Minerals, Mining, and Superfund Program of the South Dakota Department of Agriculture and Natural Resources (DANR) filed a motion to request a scheduling conference and requested that a scheduling and procedural order be issued.

On July 14, 2025 various intervenors filed joint motions requesting a pre-hearing conference to resolve outstanding motions, set a discovery schedule, and resolve other matters.

On July 14, 2025 various intervenors filed joint motions to permit electronic service.

On July 14, 2025 various intervenors filed joint motions for a change of hearing location.

On July 18, 2025 the Sierra Club, by and through their attorney, filed an amended petition to intervene, a motion to transfer location, and a motion requesting a pre-hearing conference to clarify procedural issues, establish discovery deadlines, and address scheduling and evidentiary matters including expert witness disclosures, site inspections, and possible stipulations.

The foregoing motions are approved or denied in a manner consistent with the following order.

ORDERED,

- 1. The hearing scheduled for August 20-21, 2025 is hereby postponed until such date and time set forth in a subsequent order by the Hearing Officer.
- 2. A pre-hearing conference is set for August 21, 2025 at 11:00 A.M.
 CDT to be held at the Matthew Environmental Training Center, Foss
 Building 23 East Capitol Avenue Pierre, SD 57501. Attorneys for all
 represented parties are directed to appear in person. All other parties
 and the general public may dial in to the conference by calling 1-605-679-7263, Access Code 123834098#.

3. Parties are directed to submit proposed procedural and scheduling orders by sending them to Brenda.Binegar@state.sd.us no later than August 15, 2025 no later than 5:00 P.M. CDT.

4. Discovery is limited to the scope of the factors set forth in SDCL §45-6D-29.

5. Parties are directed to submit proposed alternate hearing locations by sending them to <u>Brenda.Binegar@state.sd.us</u> no later than August 15, 2025 no later than 5:00 P.M. CDT.

6. To the extent a party wishes to be heard regarding the issue of the Fall River County Ordinance passed by voters in November of 2022 designating uranium mining as an unlawful nuisance in within the county, the parties are directed to submit a brief on the issue to Brenda.Binegar@state.sd.us no later than August 15, 2025 no later than 5:00 P.M. CDT.

7. The joint motions to permit electronic service are hereby **DENIED.**

8. All remaining pre-hearing issues raised on motion will be determined at the pre-hearing conference.

Dated this 5th day of August 2025

By:

Bob Morris, Hearing Officer