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ITER Institute Letter of Intent to the CNSC

Attachment 3

Proposal for Public Involvement Program

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3.1 Objective of the Program

Iter Canada believes that an open and inclusive program for public and stakeholder involvement is essential to the success of the Iter Project, and has developed specific communications strategies and plans to ensure this is achieved. The objective of this Public Involvement Program is to inform, consult with and address the concerns of the public. In so doing, the program will address the requirement for public consultation in accordance with the Canadian Environmental Assessment Act, and in accordance with the future licensing process of the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission.

3.2 Specific Program Elements

To achieve the objectives and successfully carry out the Program, the following specific program elements will be carried out:

1. Define the “public” to be included:
 - Identify geographic, economic and social criteria to be used
2. Inform the public about the Iter Project, provide opportunities for input from the public, and identify issues of concern of the public. For each of these, a number of different techniques will be used from the following list:
 - Public Opinion Research
 - Open Houses
 - Newsletter/Direct Mail
 - Notification letters
 - Community Meetings
 - Workshops
 - Mail/e-mail/telephone/fax feedback
 - Meetings with local governing bodies
 - Website, internet consultation
 - Public displays
3. For those issues identified as being of concern to the public, develop specific actions to address these concerns, as appropriate. Provide follow-up meetings, workshops, and other forms of communication and consultation to reflect the consideration of, and results respecting the concerns raised by the public.
4. Document the Public Involvement Program and results:
 - Written report – included in the Environmental Assessment
 - Audio/visual report
 - Website posting