



## **BACKGROUNDER -- APPLICATIONS**

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## What is an application?

A participant may apply to the Commissioner for an order or direction by delivering an application, together with all supporting materials required to allow for a full consideration of the application, including any necessary affidavits, to the commission. Participants can respond to the application where their grant of standing identifies them as having an interest in the subject matter of that application. Commission counsel may provide the Commissioner with any submissions or materials commission counsel deem relevant and necessary to the proper resolution of the application.

The Commissioner may make an order or direction based on the written material filed or, at his discretion, after hearing oral argument.

## What is an application hearing?

When the Commissioner decides to hear oral arguments on an application, an application hearing is convened.

## When will the Commissioner rule on an application?

Once the Commissioner has considered all issues related to an application, he will issue a ruling, which will be available at a later date on the commission's website at www.cohencommision.ca.