

4. Each Party shall ensure that tribunals that conduct or review such proceedings are impartial and independent and do not have any substantial interest in the outcome of the matter.

### PART THREE

#### CANADA-CHILE COMMISSION FOR ENVIRONMENTAL COOPERATION

##### Article 8: The Commission

1. The Parties hereby establish the Canada-Chile Commission for Environmental Cooperation.
2. The Commission shall comprise a Council, a Joint Submission Committee and a Joint Public Advisory Committee. The Commission shall be assisted by the National Secretariat of each Party.

##### Section A: The Council

##### Article 9: Council Structure and Procedures

1. The Council shall comprise cabinet-level or equivalent representatives of the Parties, or their designees.
2. The Council shall establish its rules and procedures.
3. The Council shall convene:
  - (a) at least once a year in regular session; and
  - (b) in special session at the request of either Party.

Regular sessions shall be chaired alternately by each Party.

4. The Council shall hold public meetings in the course of all regular sessions. Other meetings held in the course of regular or special sessions shall be public where the Council so decides.
5. The Council may:
  - (a) establish, and assign responsibilities to, *ad hoc* or standing committees, working groups or expert groups;
  - (b) seek the advice of non-governmental organizations or persons, including independent experts; and
  - (c) take such other action in the exercise of its functions as the Parties may agree.
6. All decisions and recommendations of the Council shall be taken by mutual agreement, except as the Council may otherwise decide or as otherwise provided in this Agreement.
7. All decisions and recommendations of the Council shall be made public, except as the Council may otherwise decide or as otherwise provided in this Agreement.