

Nunavut

LAWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Laws

Jun 11: The Nunavut Assembly passed [Bill 4](#) amending the *Income Tax Act* to increase the value of the Nunavut Child Benefit and fully index it to the Consumer Price Index.

New Laws

Jun 1: Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd. is going ahead with a \$2.4-billion redevelopment of its Hope Bay gold mine in Nunavut. The project, which includes reconstruction of the processing facility, addition of a 37-megawatt diesel generator power plant, upgrades to the tailings facility, and about 33 kilometres of underground development, is expected to create over 2,000 jobs.

Health & Safety

Jun 1: Nunavut's chief public health officer reported that the current risk of hantavirus and Ebola outbreaks remains low but advised residents to take precautions and plan ahead before travelling outside Nunavut. Those who've recently travelled internationally and suspect they may have been exposed to an infectious disease should call a local health centre or clinic for advice before seeking in-person care.

Action Point: Find out how to create a [policy for business travel to dangerous locations](#).

CASES

Health & Safety: Nuclear Plant Fined \$276,000 for Electrician's Electrocution Death

Qulliq Energy Corporation was on the receiving end of what may be the highest OHS fine ever imposed in Nunavut—a total of \$276,000 for the electrocution death of a 58-year-old electrician while working on an emergency generator that had not been de-energized in the hamlet. The accident occurred at the company's Naujaat Power Plant during a blackout. Qulliq pled guilty to one violation: failing to carry out all reasonable techniques and procedures, to ensure the health and safety of every person in its establishment. In return, the Workers' Safety and Compensation Commission (WSCC) dropped eight charges [*Qulliq Energy Corporation*, [WSCC Press Release](#), June 16, 2026].

Action Point: Don't let this happen to you!! Find out [how to create a vibrant workplace health and safety culture](#) to prevent tragic injuries and the massive OHS fines they can lead to at your company.