

CNA Regrets Delay in Nuclear Procurement in Ontario

OTTAWA, June 30 /CNW Telbec/ - The Canadian Nuclear Association (CNA) is encouraged by the support for nuclear energy in the province from Ontario Energy and Infrastructure Minister George Smitherman. Like Minister Smitherman, the CNA believes that a strong electricity system in Ontario requires nuclear power to provide base load electricity in the province.

The CNA also agrees with Minister Smitherman that Ontario's nuclear reactor fleet is in need of modernization to ensure that it remains Ontario's lowest cost option for base load electricity supply. The CNA is also encouraged by the statement of the Minister that the announced delay in the nuclear procurement process is limited to considerations over cost.

The CNA agrees with the Minister that nuclear technology is currently, and will in the future, provide half of Ontario's electricity supply, and that it is a clean, stable and reliable source.

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