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**PHASE 2 OF NUCLEAR RFP LATEST STEP IN ONTARIO'S 20-YEAR PLAN
TO BRING CLEAN, AFFORDABLE AND RELIABLE ELECTRICITY TO
ONTARIANS**

*OPG will operate new two-unit plant at Darlington site; Bruce Power to maintain
6300MW through either Bruce B refurbishment or new build*

TORONTO – Infrastructure Ontario's Nuclear Procurement Project Request for Proposals (RFP) entered Phase 2 today with a focus on cost of power, on-time delivery and investment in Ontario, as well as the selection of Darlington as the site for the new nuclear plant. The Ontario government also reaffirmed the importance of the Bruce Power nuclear site to Ontario's overall electricity plan.

The announcement outlines the latest steps in the process to select and build a two-unit nuclear power plant and maintain Ontario's nuclear generation capacity at 14,000 MW. Maintaining and renewing Ontario's nuclear energy fleet is an important part of the Ontario government's climate change plan and its 20-year plan to bring clean, affordable and reliable electricity to Ontarians.

AREVA NP, Atomic Energy of Canada Limited and Westinghouse Electric Company are the invited Respondents for Phase 2 of the RFP.

Respondents will be evaluated in three key areas:

- Lifetime cost of power
- Ability to meet Ontario's timetable to bring new supply on line in 2018
- Level of investment in Ontario

The new plant will be operated by Ontario Power Generation and located at its Darlington site. The construction of the new plant is expected to create about 3,500 direct construction and engineering jobs between 2012 and 2018.

As part of Ontario's energy plan to maintain 14,000 MW of nuclear generation capacity, the Bruce Site will continue to provide approximately 6,300 MW of baseload electricity through either the refurbishment of the Bruce B units or new units at Bruce C. A joint assessment will be undertaken to determine which option delivers the best value for Ontarians.

On March 7 the Ontario Government announced a two-phase competitive procurement process to choose a preferred nuclear vendor. A commercial team, led by Infrastructure Ontario is managing the procurement process. Commercial Team members also include Bruce Power, Ontario Power Generation, the Ministry of Energy and the Ministry of Finance. A preferred vendor will be chosen based on the evaluation outcome and bidding process by the end of 2008.

Please visit <http://www.infrastructureontario.ca/en/projects/energy/nuclear/profile.asp> to learn more about the competitive procurement process.

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