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OPG INVESTING IN PICKERING UNIT 1

Pickering station maintenance to ensure safe and reliable operations

Toronto - Ontario Power Generation's (OPG) Pickering Nuclear Station Unit 1 was safely shut down to begin a planned maintenance outage that will help ensure reliable, low cost electricity for the province.

"The Pickering station provides 14 per cent of the electricity Ontario depends on and our staff knows the key role it plays in the electricity system," says Glenn Jager, OPG Nuclear President and Chief Nuclear Officer. "This work will ensure the units are ready to deliver the power Ontario needs."

Unit 1 is the third planned outage at Pickering following successful Unit 4 and 5 outages completed earlier this year. During this time, staff have completed all required work with zero injuries, which is a testament to the strong safety culture that exists at the station and throughout OPG's Nuclear organization.

During the outage, OPG will invest \$77.3 million in maintenance and inspection projects. This is part of OPG's plan to improve Pickering's performance to ensure this important baseload electricity asset continues to provide clean energy. OPG is applying for a licence at Pickering to operate until 2024. The continued operation of the Pickering station will save Ontario electricity customers up to \$600 million and avoid 17 million tonnes of carbon emissions.

OPG generates safe, clean, reliable, low cost power for Ontario. More than 99 per cent of this power is free of smog and greenhouse gas emissions. OPG's power is priced 40 per cent lower than other generators which helps moderate customer bills.

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