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HATCH RECOGNIZED FOR ENGINEERING EXCELLENCE

Project success with OPG's Lower Mattagami Project in northeast Ontario

Toronto - Hatch has been recognized with a national award of engineering excellence for its project management on Ontario Power Generation's (OPG) Lower Mattagami project. The \$2.6 billion hydroelectric project in northeastern Ontario was built in partnership with the Moose Cree First Nation and was the largest hydropower project in Ontario in more than 40 years.

The Lower Mattagami project was completed in 2015, and included construction of a new station at Smoky Falls and new units at three generating stations: Harmon, Kipling and Little Long. The project added 438 MW of clean, renewable hydro capacity at stations located about 250 kilometres north of Timmins.

"The Moose Cree First Nation commends Hatch on winning this award," said Moose Cree First Nation Chief Patricia Faries. "The project is a model for how Indigenous communities and business can work together to bring economic benefits to the region and Indigenous people."

"Construction on the Lower Mattagami project was completed safely, under budget and ahead of schedule," said Mike Martelli, OPG's President Renewable Generation and Power Marketing. "Congratulations to Hatch on this award. For the next hundred years, the people of Ontario will benefit from clean, renewable electricity generated by these stations."

Hatch was honoured at the Canadian Consulting Engineering (CCE) Awards Gala for providing oversight services for all contractors and on-site workers. Hatch acted as owner's engineer for the front-end study and design phases of the project, and as the owner's representative during implementation. More than 1,800 people worked on the project at peak, including many from local Indigenous communities. The CCE Awards represent the highest achievement in consulting engineering in Canada. Hatch is a management, engineering and development consultancy company based in Mississauga.

For more information on the project, visit the Lower Mattagami Project website.

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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