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STAY CLEAR, STAY SAFE THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

Toronto – As the cold and snowy weather settles in Ontario, OPG is reminding people of the dangers around hydroelectric stations and dams.

Ice forming near a hydroelectric station or dam can be thinner and less consistent than ice in other locations because of changing water flows beneath the ice. Additionally, changing weather conditions make it even more important to keep a close watch for warning signs and barriers to warn of local hazards especially when visibility could be limited.

“The winter season presents an opportunity for outdoor activities such as ice skating, cross country skiing and snowmobiling, says Mike Martelli, OPG’s Senior Vice President of Hydro Thermal Operations. “However, the areas around our hydroelectric dams and stations are not safe places for recreation. OPG’s water safety message is one that is true all year long: Stay Clear, Stay Safe.”

Ensure this holiday season is a safe one for you and your family. Obey the warning signs, and respect fences, booms and barriers. They are there for your safety.

Learn more about safety around hydroelectric stations and dams by visiting www.stayclearstaysafe.ca .

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