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NEXT MAJOR PHASE OF DARLINGTON REFURBISHMENT BEGINS

OPG starts removal of key components of the Unit 2 reactor

Toronto – Canada’s largest clean energy project remains on time and on budget as the refurbishment of Ontario Power Generation’s (OPG) Darlington Nuclear Generating Station starts its next major phase - the removal of the reactor components of Unit 2.

The new phase will continue to June 2018, and includes removing vital reactor components from Unit 2, such as end fittings, pressure tubes and calandria tubes. The work on Unit 2 is now 40 per cent complete and up to now has included successfully defueling and separating the unit from the rest of the station, and preparing the reactor for disassembly.

The Darlington Refurbishment project and the subsequent operation of Darlington Nuclear for thirty years will have a positive \$90 billion impact on Ontario’s economy, and create 14,000 jobs per year to 2055. The Darlington Refurbishment is a made-in-Ontario project, with 96 per cent of the project’s budget invested in this province, supporting hundreds of Ontario companies.

Last week, the Financial Accountability Office (FAO) released a report examining the cost and impact of the Darlington Refurbishment. The independent report concluded that, “There are no alternative scenarios that are comparable to refurbished nuclear generation in terms of both cost and emissions.”

Learn more about the progress of Canada’s largest clean energy project:

- [Darlington Refurbishment update by Dietmar Reiner, OPG’s Senior Vice President of Nuclear Projects](#)
- [Darlington Refurbishment, Q3 Performance Report](#)

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

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