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## **INTERNATIONAL NUCLEAR EXPERTS ARRIVE AT PICKERING NGS** *International group begins standard operational safety review*

**Pickering** – A team of nuclear experts led by the International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) has arrived at OPG’s Pickering Nuclear Station to conduct a standard Operational Safety Review Team (OSART) mission.

“This is an important international review for OPG and Canada,” said OPG’s Nuclear President and Chief Nuclear Officer Glenn Jager. “This is an opportunity for us to showcase our commitment to excellence and safety, and to share best practices with these international experts.”

Pickering Nuclear was put forward for this review in 2014 by the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission, Canada’s independent nuclear regulator and active participant in the international nuclear community. The OSART program has been providing member countries the opportunity to share knowledge and to support continuous improvements to their operations since 1982. Best practices identified through these reviews are shared with other nuclear operators through the IAEA.

In the 2015 Nuclear Safety Report, OPG’s Pickering and Darlington nuclear stations received the highest possible safety rating of “fully satisfactory” and for Darlington, it’s the seventh year in a row the station has achieved this rating. Combined, the plants provide about 30 per cent of the electricity used in Ontario.

OPG provides about half the power Ontario relies on. The electricity OPG produces is more than 99 per cent free of greenhouse gas emissions.

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