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#### **Supplementary Information**

**Presentation from Ontario Power Generation Inc.** 

#### **Renseignements supplémentaires**

Présentation d' **Ontario Power Generation Inc.** 

In the Matter of the

#### **Ontario Power Generation Inc.**

Application for a licence to construct one BWRX-300 reactor at the Darlington New Nuclear Project Site (DNNP)

**Commission Public Hearing** Part-1

**Ontario Power Generation Inc.** 

À l'égard d'

Demande visant à construire 1 réacteur BWRX-300 sur le site du projet de nouvelle centrale nucléaire de Darlington (PNCND)

Audience publique de la Commission Partie-1

**October 2, 2024** 

2 octobre 2024





### Darlington New Nuclear Project Licence to Construct Application Hearing Part 1

CMD 24-H3.1B

October 2, 2024 • Mark Knutson, SVP Enterprise Engineering and Chief Nuclear Engineer

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OPG is qualified to carry on the activities that the licence will authorize and will, in carrying on these activities, make adequate provision for the protection of:

- the environment,
- the health and safety of persons,
- the maintenance of national security, and
- measures required to implement international obligations to which Canada has agreed.



#### We generate half of Ontario's electricity.

Our diverse fleet includes nuclear, hydroelectric, thermal, natural gas, and solar generation.

> 18,225 megawatts



### OPG's Environmental Stewardship

#### We are committed to:

- Environmental sustainability
- Engaging and learning together with Indigenous communities
- Maintaining or enhancing significant natural areas



#### **Green Construction & Environmental Sustainabili**

- OPG goal of being a net-zero • carbon company by 2040
- Achieved by creating Green construction standards, tracking carbon footprint, promoting climate change culture, and engaging the vendors

#### our climate goals



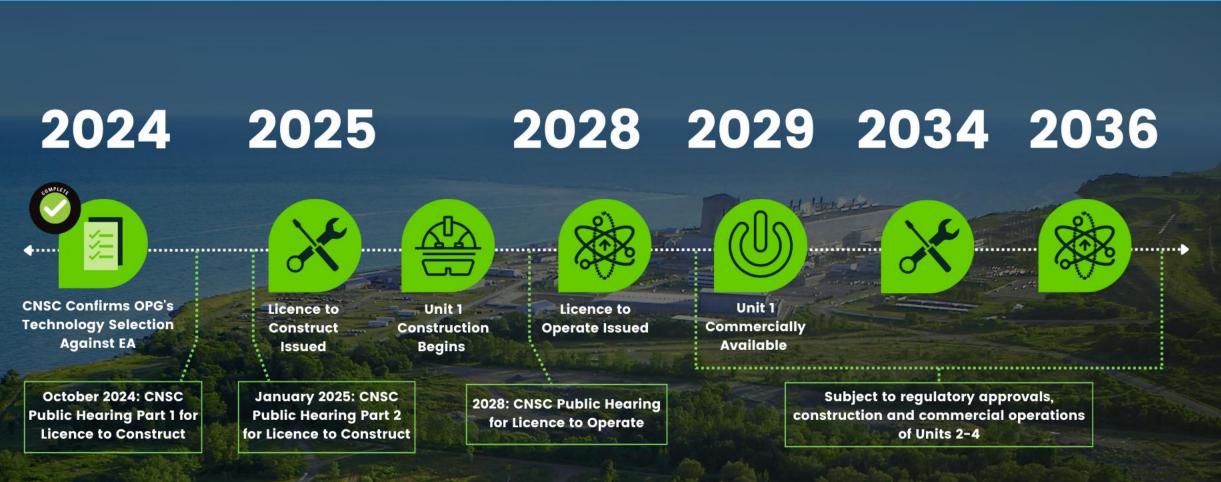
A net-zero

carbon

A net-zero carbon economy by 2050

### **Darlington New Nuclear Roadmap**

**BIG** things start small.





## Commitment to Indigenous Nations and Communities

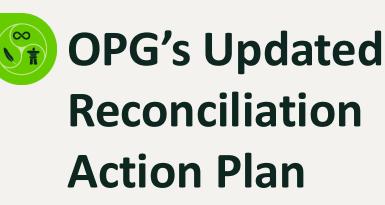
- OPG is committed to working with Indigenous Nations and communities to develop positive relationships and generate shared social and economic benefits through our renewed Reconciliation Action Plan
- We strive to build relationships based on the principles of respect, integrity and mutual responsibility
- While we have made progress, we recognize that the journey with Indigenous Nations and communities will be ongoing





- Indigenous Knowledge Study (IKS)
- Permitting
- Offsetting and restoration
- Advancing waste discussions
- Indigenous Relations training for project staff
- Generation for Generations
- Leadership to leadership meeting





#### **OPG's RAP Pillars:**

- 1) Leadership
- 2) Relationships
- 3) People
- 4) Economic Empowerment
- 5) Environmental Stewardship



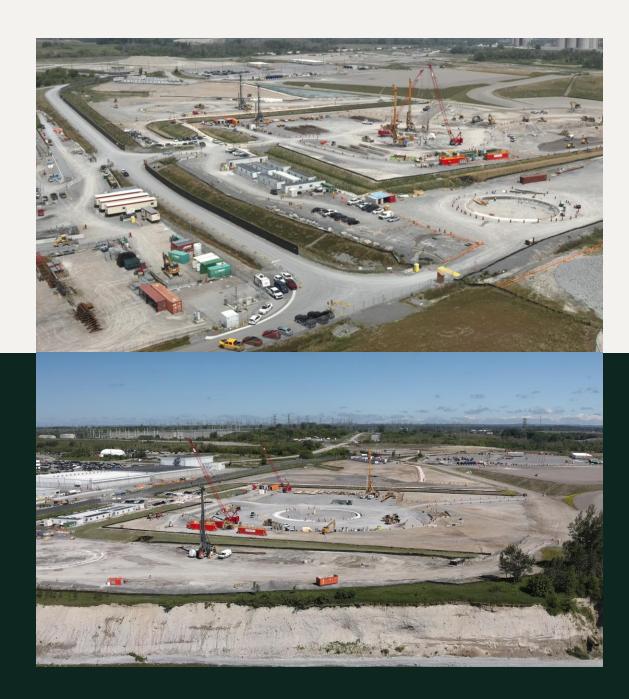
#### The future of Indigenous Engagement

#### Where we are going





- History of excellent project management success
- Utilize lessons learned from other OPG projects
- Leverage expertise from OPG's partners





#### **Integrated Project Delivery** Model





**Ontario Power Generation** as the licence applicant, owner and operator

#### Darlington New Nuclear Project



**GE-Hitachi** as the designer of the BWRX-300



AtkinsRéalis as the architect engineer



Aecon as the constructor of the nuclear facility





#### **DNNP Site and Preparatory Activities**

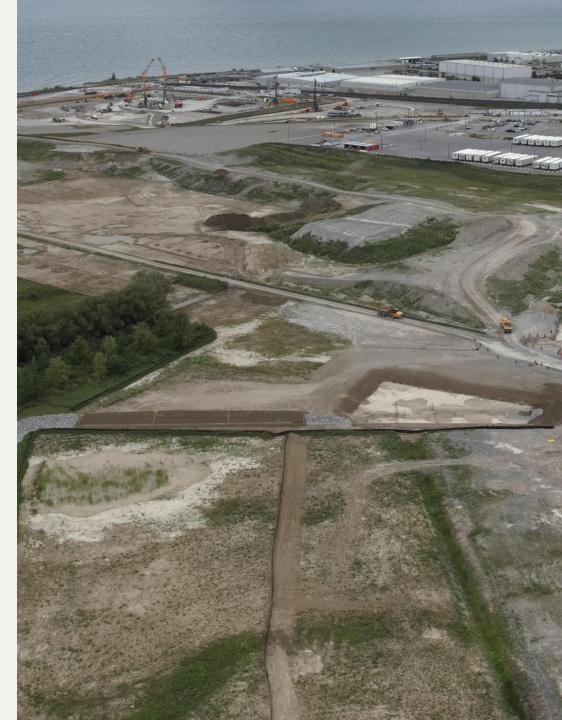
**Darlington Site** 1 Holt Road South, Bowmanville, ON

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Darlington New Nuclear Site to the East of the Darlington Station

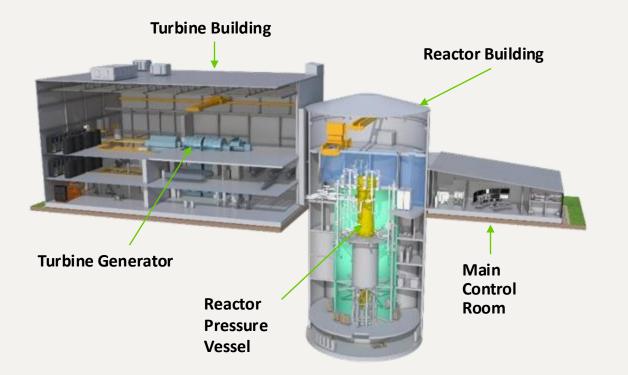
### **Licensed Activities**

- The **completion of any remaining activities** under the existing Site Preparation Licence;
- The construction of one BWRX-300 power block (the structures, systems and components associated with the reactor building, control building, turbine building, radioactive waste building and auxiliaries);
- The construction of the support structures for up to four BWRX-300 units;
- The inspection and testing of equipment; and
- The conduct of fuel-out commissioning (i.e., the commissioning of systems prior to loading fuel in the reactor).





#### **Technology Overview** GE Hitachi: BWRX-300



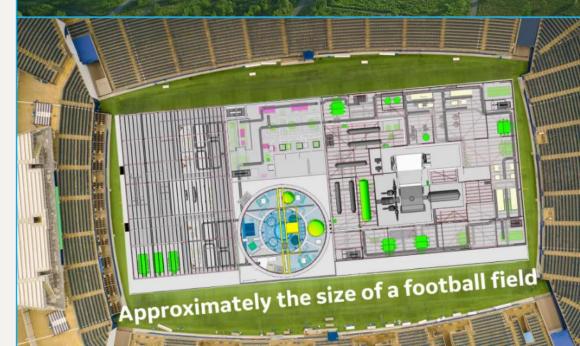
**GEH SMR Technologies Canada** is the Canadian division of the world-leading provider of reactor technology and nuclear services.

Designed for a 60-year operational life

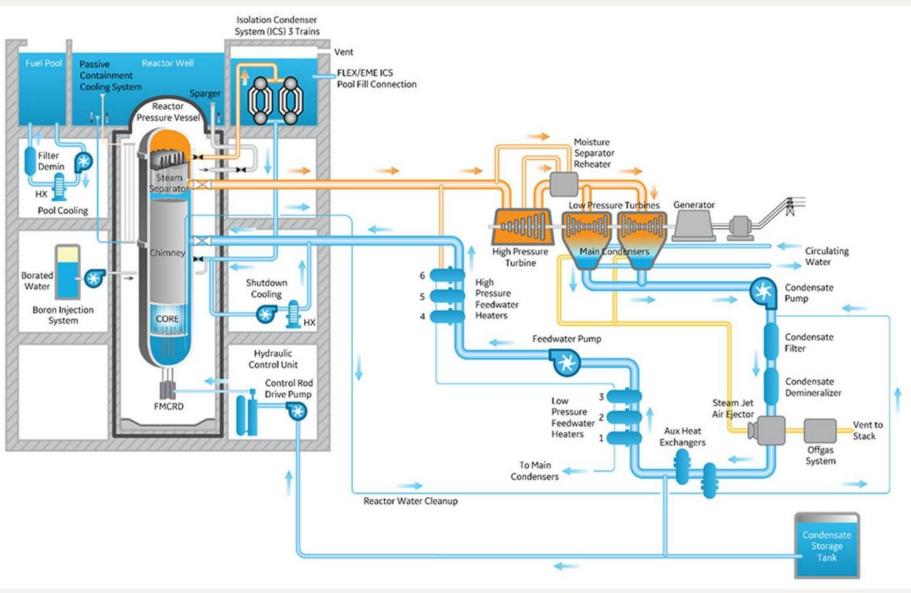
~300 megawatts, enough to power 300,000 homes

Mar H. Cariz

Boiling water reactor using natural circulation



#### **Innovative Design Features of BWRX-300**



#### **Safety and Control Areas**

**Applicable SCAs** 

- 1. Management System
- 2. Operating Performance
- 3. Safety Analysis
- 4. Physical Design
- 5. Radiation Protection Measures
- 6. Conventional Health and Safety

- 7. Environmental Protection
- 8. Emergency Management and Fire Protection
- 9. Waste Management
- 10. Decommissioning
- 11. Security
- 12. Safeguards and Non-Proliferation

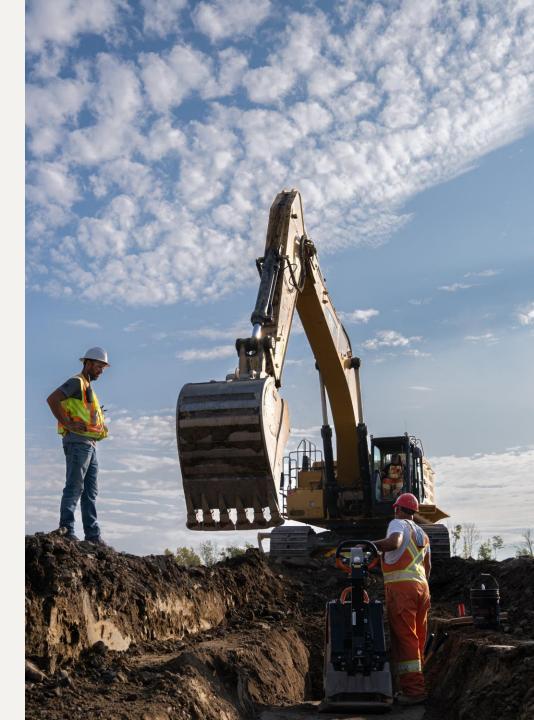
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Safety and Control Areas not applicable to the Power Reactor Construction Licence are Fitness for Service and Packaging & Transport.

### OPG's Nuclear Management System

### The DNNP will continue to use OPG's well-established Nuclear Management System to:

- Ensure licensed activities during construction are executed safely and with quality
- Ensure OPG has oversight during construction, inspection, and commissioning



### Conventional Health & Safety

The DNNP continues to use OPG's rigorous and effective safety management practices to keep safety our top priority.

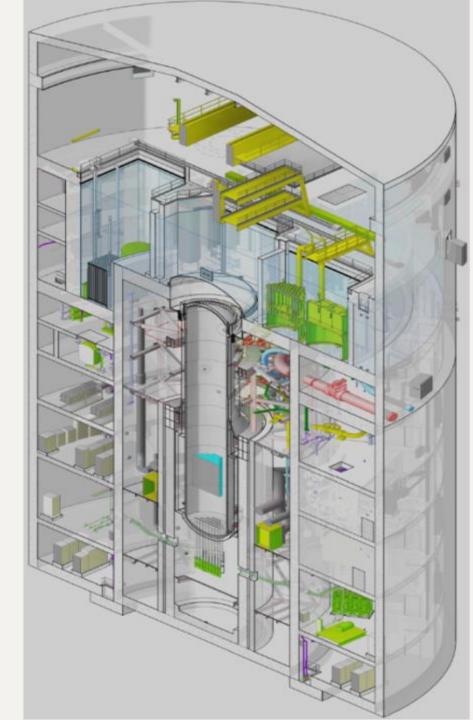
- Manage health and safety and the non-radiological hazards to protect personnel
- OPG will maintain oversight to confirm compliance with legislative and regulatory standards



### **Physical Design**

The DNNP design is managed using rigorous management system requirements.

- Design is conducted using industry standard processes
- Design documents submitted as part of licence to construct application satisfy REGDOC 2.5.2
- OPG conducts review and acceptance of design using a graded approach





#### **Nuclear Safety**

The BWRX-300 design meets or exceeds CNSC regulatory requirements.

- Design applies principles of independence, diversity, separation and redundancy to safety systems
- Simplified BWRX-300 design incorporates passive safety features and optimizes safety, operability, and maintainability
- Nuclear Safety is OPG's overriding priority



### **Safety Analysis**

### Safety Analysis demonstrates that BWRX-300 meets safety goals and regulatory requirements.

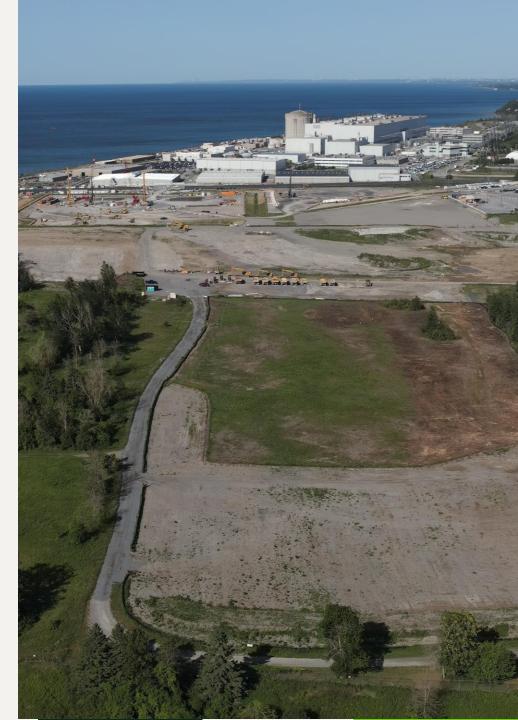
- Safety analysis is comprehensive and rigorous and follows industry recognized methodologies
- Analysis demonstrates a significant margin of safety by using conservative inputs and assumptions
- Safety analysis satisfy REGDOC 1.1.2 and REGDOC 2.5.2
- OPG Ensures independent reviews and conducts acceptance



#### **Emergency Management and Fire Protection**

There is no possibility for a radiological emergency during construction of the BWRX-300.

- There is no nuclear fuel on site during construction and 'fuel-out' commissioning phase
- Construction contractor oversees the emergency response on the Darlington New Nuclear Project site



### Human Performance & Training

The DNNP will use OPG's and IPD partners' strong human performance programs.

- Ensure staff are trained and qualified with the appropriate knowledge, skills, and behaviours for construction
- Building upon industry operating experience
- Monitoring performance to drive excellence
- OPG fosters a culture of continuous learning and improvement



### **Environmental Protection**

#### The existing Environmental Assessment is valid for BWRX-300 design

#### **OPG's robust and mature environmental protection programs:**

- Identify and assess areas of concern
- Implement control measures to eliminate, manage, and reduce risk
- Ensure monitoring and evaluation of environmental parameters
- Involve stakeholders and Indigenous communities



#### Waste Management

There is no radioactive waste generated during construction.

- OPG plans to store low and intermediate level radioactive waste at the DNNP site during operation on an interim basis
- Used fuel to also remain on DNNP site until transfer to Nuclear
  Waste Management Organization licensed facility
- OPG has provided information on non-radioactive hazardous materials associated with construction activities



#### **Radiation Protection**

- Proposed licensed activities under a construction licence do not include the possession or use of nuclear substances
- BWRX-300 design strategy incorporates the principles of As Low As Reasonably Achievable (ALARA)
- Simple design of the BWRX-300 means less occupational dose during operation and maintenance



# Security, Safeguards and Non-Proliferation

- OPG has mature and robust Security and Cyber Security programs which protect people and assets through the construction phase and beyond
- OPG has an effective Safeguards and Nuclear Material Accountancy program
- Program ensures successful implementation of the obligations arising from the Canada/IAEA safeguards agreement and nonproliferation Treaty



### Decommissioning and Financial Guarantee

A preliminary decommissioning plan has been developed and the financial guarantee is adequate to fund decommissioning of the construction activities.

- Decommissioning involves restoring the site to brownfield status suitable for industrial re-use
- The Financial Guarantee ensures there are adequate funds to the decommissioning of proposed construction activities
- OPG has an established history of managing and maintaining decommissioning plans and sufficient funds



#### **OPG Commitments**

OPG tracks, completes and reports on all of its commitments per the completion timeline including:

- Commitments and actions arising from the DNNP Environmental Assessment
- Formal regulatory commitments made by OPG as part of the CNSC LTC Application review process





### Committed to Community Engagement

OPG has been engaging with the local community on all phases of the project through its comprehensive public outreach and communications program.





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### Conclusion



#### A BWRX-300 at the DNNP site:

- leverages operating experience from generations of BWRs, and
- improves on safety due to the inherent design characteristics and passive safety features.

#### **OPG is qualified to construct a BWRX-300:**

- in a safe and environmentally sustainable manner,
- has an industry-leading history of large construction project success and safe nuclear operations, and
- has demonstrated regulatory requirements have been met for the requested construction licence.



