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Enabling Small Nuclear: A Pan-Canadian Approach to SMRs

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 Prototype reactors and legacy facilities



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Restore and protect the environment Clean energy for today and tomorrow

Improve the health of Canadians



Canadian Context: "Team Canada Approach"

- Federal recognition of role of nuclear in achieving GHG emission targets
- National SMR Roadmap developed and actioned
- Provinces and Utilities commit to the development & deployment of new nuclear in Canada
- CNL builds SMR research programs and prepares for potential demonstration project
- Academia focused on next generation of nuclear workers and researchers
- Supply chain assesses SMR industry and readies itself

Pan-Canadian SMR Roadmap (2018) and Action Plan (2020) SMRs as a source of safe, clean, affordable low carbon energy

SMR Roadmap

- 4 Provinces, 2 Territories and 5 power utilities
- 50+ recommendations for Government, Industry, Academia, Research Organizations and others

- SMR Action Plan
- a path forward for SMRs
- 109 Participating Organizations
- 450 Actions being tracked

"Team Canada" Approach

Canadian Market Potential



Northern Canada

- Over 200 communities, largely
 Indigenous, reliant on diesel generation
- Health & well being, climate, and financial advantages from energy independence and energy empowerment



Resource extraction

- Hydrogen production for oil sands bitumen upgrading
- Power for in-situ and surface extraction sites
- SMR for mineral mining sites



Low Carbon Energy

Larger, grid-sized SMR designs could enable a significant shift away from coal-fired generation, as demonstrated in Ontario

Time Frames to Deployment in Canada

Nuclear Industry defines 3 distinct and equally important streams for SMR deployment

- Stream 1: On-Grid Replacement (2020's)
- **Stream 2**: On-Grid Replacement AR (Early to mid 2030's)
- Stream 3: Off—Grid Micro Reactor (2020's)

CNL has a goal to site an SMR Demonstration project by 2026 through an open invitation process





Canadian Industry Actively Supporting SMR Development

- NB Power supporting Moltex and Arc, creating an SMR Research Initiative involving UNB
- OPG supporting Terrestrial Energy, GE/Hitachi and X-Energy
- Bruce Power pursues applications of Westinghouse eVinci reactor
- Provincial MOU between New Brunswick, Ontario and Saskatchewan

 GFP project at CRL first project in Canada to submit a licence application

CNL Demonstration Timeline



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Siting Invitation Process Update



- GFP jointly owned by OPG and USNC
- Submitted application to CNSC for a licence to prepare site at CRL in March 2019
- CNSC Record of Decision related to Environmental Assessment scope July 2020
- GFP Environmental Impact Statement work commenced
- Completed geophysical site evaluations for deployment of GFP's MMR reactor in Chalk River



Clean Energy Development Innovation and Research (CEDIR) Park

Demonstrate Nuclear Co-Generation (future project at CNL)



Advanced Reactor Research at CNL De-Risking Development & Deployment

Technology Development Regulatory Support

Deployment

Operation

Environment & Waste



Canadian Nuclear Research Initiative (CNRI)





A cost sharing program with SMR Developers

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