

News Release

Funding Awarded for Participation in the Environmental Assessment of the Proposed Darlington New Nuclear Power Plant Project

OTTAWA, November 2, 2009 - The Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency (the Agency) has awarded a total of \$155,927 to five applicants to support their participation in the environmental assessment process for the Darlington New Nuclear Power Plant Project located at the existing Darlington Nuclear site in the Municipality of Clarington near Oshawa, Ontario.

Funding recipients are Lake Ontario Waterkeeper, Clarington Board of Trade, Northwatch Coalition for Environmental Protection, Safe and Green Energy Peterborough and Mouvement Vert Mauricie.

This phase II funding will help successful applicants to review the environmental impact statement that will be prepared by the project proponent, Ontario Power Generation (OPG). Funding may also be used to prepare for and participate in the public hearings that will be announced at a later date by the Joint Review Panel. The information pertaining to these public participation opportunities will be communicated at a later date.

A funding review committee, independent of the Joint Review Panel, reviewed the requests and provided recommendations on funding allocations. The [Committee's report](#), along with further information on the project, is available on the Agency's Web site at www.ceaa-acee.gc.ca. Information on the proposed project is also available on the Canadian Environmental Assessment Registry on the Agency's Web site, under reference number [07-05-29525](#).

OPG is proposing the site preparation, construction, operation, decommissioning and abandonment of up to four new nuclear reactors at its existing Darlington Nuclear site located near Oshawa, Ontario, along the north shore of Lake Ontario, in the Municipality of Clarington. The project is expected to generate approximately 4800 megawatts of electricity to the Ontario grid.

The Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency administers the federal environmental assessment process, which identifies the environmental effects of proposed projects and measures to address those effects, in support of sustainable development.

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