

Ontario Power Generation (OPG) is aligned with the Nuclear Waste Management Organization's (NWMO) proposed Deep Geological Repository (DGR) located in the Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation (WLO) and the Township of Ignace area of northwestern Ontario as the safe, long-term management plan to contain and isolate Canada's used nuclear fuel.

OPG is responsible for approximately half of Ontario's electricity generation, with nuclear power as a cornerstone of our clean energy portfolio. We continue to advance nuclear projects that are essential to meeting Canada's climate change goals and to ensuring a reliable supply of low-carbon electricity for Ontarians. As a major generator of nuclear energy, OPG is committed to the safe, responsible, and long-term management of used nuclear fuel. We recognize that safe disposal is essential for the continued operation of our nuclear fleet and for fulfilling our obligations to current and future generations.

Nuclear waste owners and operators are responsible for ensuring the full lifecycle of used nuclear fuel is fully funded. In accordance with the Nuclear Fuel Waste Act (NWFA), each waste owner is responsible for annual financial contributions based on the waste they produce. This approach ensures the costs of long-term management are fully covered by the waste producers.

OPG has long supported the development of a DGR as the best practice for managing used nuclear fuel. This practice is consistent with national policy, leading scientific bodies and regulatory authorities worldwide. The DGR will provide a permanent, safe and secure solution that protects water, land and communities, while supporting Canada's clean energy future.

The NWMO's proposed DGR represents an internationally recognized solution for the long-term management of used nuclear fuel. The NWMO has undertaken a rigorous, science-based approach and has demonstrated a strong commitment to meaningful engagement with Rightsholders, Indigenous Nations and Communities, local communities, and stakeholders throughout the planning and regulatory process to date. OPG will continue to work collaboratively with the NWMO to ensure that technical information related to OPG's used fuel inventories are effectively shared. The DGR is a critical step forward in ensuring the safety of people and the environment, now and for years to come.

In summary, OPG supports the NWMO's efforts to advance Canada's plan for the safe, long-term management of used nuclear fuel through the development of a DGR.



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