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Launch of Canadian Nuclear Laboratories

Chalk River, ON. (2014 October 30) – On November 3, Atomic Energy of Canada Limited (AECL), will proudly launch a wholly-owned subsidiary named Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (CNL). This is a major milestone in the restructuring of AECL that will ultimately revitalize Canada’s premier nuclear science and technology organization.

“This is an exciting time for Canada’s nuclear industry,” said Dr. Robert Walker, President and CEO. “It’s also an important moment for our host communities in the Ottawa Valley, Pinawa, and Port Hope whose ongoing interest and stake in the restructuring project is greatly valued.”

The organization employs approximately 3,400 people at 12 locations across Canada. The corporate headquarters and core research and development operations will remain situated at Chalk River Laboratories in the upper Ottawa Valley. CNL will continue to develop highly qualified people, and will be a source of highly skilled jobs and a key driver of local economic benefit in the communities where it operates.

Canada helped build the global nuclear industry and created a unique platform for power generation known as CANDU. “CNL may be a new organization, but it stands on the shoulders of a Crown corporation with a proud history that spans over six decades of cutting-edge nuclear science and technology,” said Dr. Walker. “This new model of operation will capitalize on burgeoning market opportunities and private sector management, opening up a promising new era before us,” he added.

CNL will focus on three key mandates going forward:

- Managing Canada’s radioactive waste and decommissioning responsibilities accumulated during the more than 60 years of nuclear research and development at the Chalk River and Whiteshell Laboratories.
- Ensuring that Canada’s world-class nuclear science and technology capabilities and knowledge continue to support the federal government in its nuclear roles and responsibilities — from health protection and public safety to security and environmental protection.
- Providing access to industry, on a commercial basis, to address its need for in-depth nuclear science and technology expertise.

Restructuring Background

In 2013, the Government of Canada announced its intention to implement a Government-owned, Contractor-operated (GoCo) model for the management of AECL's Nuclear Laboratories. The goals are to create value and reduce risks and costs for taxpayers while continuing to fulfill AECL's core mandate.

The implementation of the GoCo model entails two steps. The first step is the creation of CNL as a subsidiary of AECL, to be operated largely with the governance, management systems and workforce that have been in place under AECL. On stand up on 2014 November 3, CNL will assume full responsibility for all day-to-day operations of AECL sites. The second step occurs at the conclusion of the Government's procurement process to select the GoCo contractor, when the GoCo contract is awarded and ownership of CNL is transferred from AECL to the contractor. Transfer to the new GoCo contractor is anticipated in autumn of 2015. At that time, CNL will become a private-sector entity, and AECL will be a small Crown corporation focused on the management and oversight of this contract.

AECL will oversee the performance of the contractual obligations of the contractor. AECL will also retain ownership of the Nuclear Laboratories' physical and intellectual property assets and its liabilities.

About AECL

Atomic Energy of Canada Limited (AECL) is Canada's premier nuclear science and technology organization. For 60 years, AECL has been a world leader in developing peaceful and innovative applications from nuclear technology through its expertise in physics, metallurgy, chemistry, biology and engineering. Approximately 3,400 highly skilled employees deliver a range of nuclear services – ranging from research and development, design and engineering to specialized technology, waste management and decommissioning.

Today, AECL continues its commitment to ensure that Canadians and the world receive energy, health, environmental and economic benefits from nuclear science and technology with confidence that nuclear safety and security are assured.

More information on can be found at www.aecl.ca or www.cnl.ca on November 03.

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Port Granby Project Citizen Liaison Group Recruitment Underway

Community members invited to apply

Clarington, Ontario (January 9, 2014) – The Port Hope Area Initiative (PHAI) is looking for Clarington residents who would like to contribute their skills and perspectives to the Port Granby Project Citizen Liaison Group (CLG). The six-member volunteer group has completed its first year, and three openings are available for new members.

The CLG provides a regular forum to exchange information and provide input about the Port Granby Project for the cleanup and long-term safe management of historic low-level radioactive waste in Southeast Clarington. The CLG meets four times a year.

Clarington residents may apply as individuals or as representatives of a community organization or professional association. The CLG brings together a broad cross-section of interests, focusing on areas such as the environment, business, education, health and community life. Through their participation, members help to strengthen understanding of the project and enhance community relations. No special knowledge about the Port Granby Project is required to apply. All CLG terms are for two years.

“The CLG gives residents who want to develop a deeper understanding of the Port Granby Project an opportunity to discuss their ideas and viewpoints with project staff,” said Judy Herod, Manager of Stakeholder Relations and Communications for the PHAI Management Office. “The group plays an important role in reflecting and sharing community perspectives.”

This past year, CLG members participated in field demonstrations to increase their understanding of how the PHAI conducts various types of environmental monitoring. The CLG also hosted a public round table event in Newcastle to provide the community with a forum to discuss the Port Granby Project.

Applications must be received by January 31. To learn more about the CLG or to apply, visit the CLG page at www.phai.ca, where on-line and downloadable application forms are available. Information and application forms are also available by phoning the PHAI Management Office at 905.885.0291 or by visiting the Project Information Exchange at 115 Toronto Road in Port Hope.

ABOUT THE PHAI

The Port Hope Area Initiative (PHAI) is a federal environmental clean-up program. Its mandate is the remediation and local, long-term, safe management of historic low-level radioactive waste in Port Hope and Port Granby in Southeast Clarington. The PHAI Management Office (PHAI MO), a federal partnership between Natural Resources Canada, Atomic Energy of Canada Limited and Public Works and Government Services Canada, was created to carry out these projects.

ABOUT THE PORT GRANBY PROJECT

The Port Granby Project involves the relocation of approximately 450,000 cubic metres of historic low-level radioactive waste, located at a site on the shoreline of Lake Ontario in Southeast Clarington, to a new engineered aboveground mound to be built 700 metres to the north, away from the lake. The historic waste resulted from radium and uranium refining operations of the former Crown Corporation, Eldorado Nuclear, which, with its private sector predecessors, operated from the 1930s to 1988.

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PORT HOPE AREA INITIATIVE LAUNCHES PUBLIC ATTITUDE SURVEY

Port Hope, ON. (October 16, 2014) – The Port Hope Area Initiative Management Office (PHAI MO) is polling local residents to find out their opinions and attitudes about the cleanup and safe long-term management of historic low-level radioactive waste in the Port Granby area of Southeast Clarington.

Conducted by CCI Research Inc., an independent Canadian research firm, the survey is being mailed out to approximately 800 residents who live within a 10-km radius of the Port Granby Project area. As alternative to filling out the paper questionnaire, residents will have the option to complete the survey online or by telephone. The survey takes about 20 minutes to complete, and the deadline is Nov. 17, 2014.

“The survey provides valuable information, that helps us understand the views of the community and how we can improve communications with residents about project activities and progress,” said Judy Herod, Manager of Stakeholder Relations & Communications for the PHAI MO. “As the Port Granby Project moves forward, it’s more important than ever that we hear from the community.”

The last public attitude survey for the Port Granby Project was conducted in 2011. Since that time, a number of significant project construction activities have taken place including construction of a waste water treatment plant and the upgrading of Elliot Road and other roadway improvements for the transportation of clean construction materials to the site of the new long-term waste management facility. The tender for the construction of the Port Granby Project facility and remediation of the existing site is currently posted on the federal government’s Electronic Tendering Service, BuyandSell.gc.ca.

The survey seeks to find out how aware residents are about the project to clean up and manage the historic low-level radioactive waste and how confident they are that the work can be done safely and with minimal impacts to the local community.

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ABOUT THE PORT HOPE PROJECT

The Port Hope Project involves the construction of a long-term waste management facility and supporting infrastructure for the safe, long-term management of approximately 1.2 million cubic metres of historic low-level radioactive waste, cleanup of the waste from various sites in Port Hope and its transportation to the facility, and long-term maintenance and monitoring.

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Conducted by CCI Research Inc., an independent Canadian research firm, the telephone survey begins today and will poll 500 Ward 1 and Ward 2 residents in Port Hope over the month of November.

“The survey provides valuable information that helps us understand the views of the community and how we can improve communications with residents about project activities and progress,” said Judy Herod, Manager of Stakeholder Relations & Communications for the PHAI MO.

The PHAI MO has conducted 12 public attitude surveys since the PHAI began in 2001. Since the last survey a number of significant project activities have taken place including construction of the Port Hope Project waste water treatment plant and the implementation of the Property Radiological Survey.

“We’ve added new questions this year and made improvements to some of the previous questions so the survey provides a greater opportunity for residents to express their opinions,” said Herod.

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