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**NUCLEAR PROCUREMENT PROJECT MOVES TO NEXT STEP WITH
BILATERAL COMMERCIAL MEETINGS**

TORONTO – The Nuclear Procurement Project Request for Proposal (RFP) process is moving forward with a series of Commercially Confidential Meetings between April 7 and April 25. AREVA NP, Atomic Energy of Canada Limited and Westinghouse Electric Company have all confirmed their participation. These meetings precede the Phase 1 formal submission deadline of May 9.

GE Hitachi Nuclear Energy (GEH) has made a business decision to withdraw as GEH focuses on licensing efforts with the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission to certify its ESBWR design and to focus on existing customer commitments.

On March 7 the Ontario Government announced a two-phase competitive procurement process to choose a preferred nuclear reactor vendor. Four vendors identified in global market reviews as offering the latest generation technology were invited to participate. A commercial team, led by Infrastructure Ontario is managing the procurement process.

Please visit <http://www.infrastructureontario.ca/en/projects/energy/nuclear/profile.asp> to learn more.

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