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Liette Lemieux Appointed as Interim COG President & CEO

TORONTO – Earlier today, CANDU Owners Group (COG) announced the appointment of Liette Lemieux to the role of Interim President & CEO, effective May 7. Liette will take over the role from Stephanie Smith, who announced her resignation from COG earlier this month; the two will work closely together until Stephanie's departure on May 6.

Liette is returning to COG on Monday, April 25 following her retirement in November, 2021. From 2018-2021 Liette served as COG's Director of Research and Development, and she was appointed Deputy CEO in June 2021.

In her time at COG, Liette made invaluable contributions to the organization, successfully overseeing all six streams of the R&D portfolio with an investment of almost \$40M, annually, contributing to continuous improvement and innovation in the safe, reliable, cost effective operation of CANDU stations worldwide.

Liette has over 25 years of experience in the nuclear industry, with leadership roles at Ontario Hydro/Ontario Power Generation in radiation safety, operations and maintenance, chemistry, environment, human performance and organizational effectiveness. Prior to joining COG, she was the Radiation Safety Director at Ontario Power Generation, and while performing that role was an active participant in various radiation safety and chemistry research committees both in Canada and in the US. Her work experiences prior to joining the nuclear industry include research, manufacturing, health and safety, and industrial sales.

"Liette has been an integral part of COG and had such a positive impact, the Board is confident that she will ensure stability and ongoing momentum as COG continues to support our member community in its efforts to achieve CANDU operational excellence and innovations in service of a clean energy future," said Gary Newman, Senior Vice President Engineering and Chief Engineer, Bruce Power and Chair of COG's Board of Directors.

"There are a number of exciting opportunities ahead for COG and the industry, and Liette's involvement with a broad spectrum of stakeholders will help ensure COG remains well-aligned, organized and positioned for success long into the future."

The COG Board has undertaken a search for a permanent replacement. Stephanie, Liette, and Gary are working closely together to ensure a smooth transition.

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