

Bruce Power's James Scongack and Ontario's Associate Minister of Energy, Bill Walker, discuss the successful first year of the Unit 6 MCR project at the virtual celebration event, Feb. 23. Images courtesy of Bruce Power.

Bruce Power celebrates oneyear Unit 6 Major Component Replacement milestone

COG member releases Ontario Energy Report highlighting its 2020 COVID-19 pandemic relief efforts and life-saving medical isotope production

FEB. 25, 2021 — It's been a year of progress in the face of adversity as the execution phase of Bruce Power's first Major Component Replacement (MCR) project powered through the challenges of a global pandemic.

The CANDU Owners Group (COG) member celebrated this milestone with a virtual event and the release of its Ontario Energy Report for 2020. The virtual event recognized the contributions of Bruce Power employees, contractors, suppliers and more than 1,000 tradespeople in keeping the MCR project on track.

The event was attended by Ontario's Minister and Associate Minister of Energy, Greg Rickford and Bill Walker as well as Paul Lefebvre, Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Natural Resources. Bruce Power President and CEO, Mike Rencheck and Executive Vice-President, Corporate Affairs and Operational Services, James Scongack, were also among those who participated in the celebration.

"What's especially impressive is that (the first year of MCR) was undertaken in the most severe public health crisis we've seen. All of this was done safely," said Minister Rickford. "It speaks volumes about the incredibly talented workforce at Bruce Power and the power of partnerships and relationships."

MCR project achievements to date include the successful removal of 50,000 feet of feeder tube from the vault and the event-free removal of the lower feeders – a first in CANDU refurbishments. As well, the completion of manufactured components for the Unit 6 MCR.

The energy report explores how Bruce Power and the Ontario energy sector was impacted by and responded to the COVID-19 pandemic in 2020.

The company provided 2.5 million pieces of personal protective equipment (PPE), nearly \$1 million in aid to researchers and food banks and another \$1 million through the Be a Light: Beating COVID-19 Together campaign to support local communities, organizations and businesses. A pair of successful Cobalt-60 harvests supported the production of medical isotopes to sterilize 24 billion gloves and swabs for COVID-19 treatment.

<u>Click here</u> to read more about the first year of Bruce Power's Unit 6 MCR project.

<u>Click here</u> to watch Bruce Power's MCR one-year video recognizing nuclear suppliers.

Click here to read Bruce Power's Ontario Energy Report for 2020.