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Darlington Unit 2 powering up

OPG's Darlington Refurbishment Q1 performance update released

Ontario Power Generation's (OPG) Darlington Refurbishment Project remains on budget, and Unit 2 refurbishment is ahead of schedule to meet the revised completion date in May. OPG reported the news in its Q1 Darlington Refurbishment performance update, released May 12.

More than 99 per cent of Unit 2 work is now complete; 58 of 58 systems have been returned to service. The project team has worked 24 million hours with one Lost Time Accident since the start of the project.

OPG has been authorized by the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) to progress beyond 35 per cent full power as part of Unit 2 return-to-service. CNSC approval was required before Unit 2 could progress beyond this point in its restart process. All regulatory commitments for Unit 2's return-to-service have now been met.

Unit 3 and subsequent units

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, the project team was on track to begin Unit 3 refurbishment in April. As a result of the global health crisis, OPG decided to keep Unit 3 running to ensure a stable supply of clean electricity for the province and to defer the planned start of the Unit 3 refurbishment. OPG is preparing to resume field work in June and facilitate the start of the Unit 3 refurbishment in Q3.

The project's overall schedule for the refurbishment of all four units remains on track for completion in 2026.

View the Darlington Refurbishment Q1 performance update [here](#).