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NB Power Partners with the Centre for Nuclear Energy Research (*CNER*)

Fredericton N.B. – NB Power has partnered with the Centre for Nuclear Energy Research (CNER), a non-profit research and corrosion monitoring company located at the University of New Brunswick (UNB) Fredericton campus, to help meet NB Power’s requirement for nuclear energy workers.

“CNER is an integral part of the Canadian nuclear community and we are pleased to partner with them on this important initiative,” said Gaëtan Thomas, Vice-President of NB Power Nuclear. “The nuclear industry remains an important part of our generation in New Brunswick. In April 2008, we will begin the refurbishment outage at the Point Lepreau Generating Station, which will extend the operation of the station for an additional 25-30 years. This partnership is a proactive approach in ensuring we have the resources and skills in place for years to come.”

The partnership will focus on three key areas: attracting workers to the nuclear industry and filling employment needs, preparing new nuclear energy workers while enhancing the skills of current employees and the advancement of nuclear energy research.

“By partnering with NB Power, we will help sustain the Province of New Brunswick’s requirement for nuclear energy workers,” said Andy Justason, General Manager of CNER. “It will also broaden learning opportunities for students, ensuring that they are well-equipped with the necessary skills to enter the workforce.”

An NB Power Project Manager has been put in place to work with CNER to implement the commitment and process. These initiatives will continue over the next five years.

“Together, we will enhance recruitment, retention and learning while providing unique growth opportunities for students and employees,” said Paul Thériault, Vice-President of Human Resources. “This will not only demonstrate that NB Power is an employer of choice, but also supports our mandate of having people at their best.”

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