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MP Gallant Pleased Renfrew County Gets \$520 Million Boost From New Conservative Government

Chalk River, Ontario... Cheryl Gallant, MP joined Minister of Natural Resources, the Hon. Gary Lunn at the Chalk River Laboratories of Atomic Energy of Canada (AECL) to announce a five-year, \$520 million commitment to the environment and AECL.

“The decision by our new Conservative government to clean up the nuclear site at Chalk River Laboratories is good news for the upper Ottawa Valley. This substantial financial contribution to the environment ensures the viability of AECL now and in the future, as well as the sustainability of nuclear energy as part of the energy mix that fuels our economy,” said Renfrew-Nipissing-Pembroke MP Cheryl Gallant.

“Ontario and Canada face a serious environmental challenge in the near future to provide safe, clean, affordable electricity. If nuclear is going to continue to be considered as part of the solution, the challenge is how we deal with nuclear waste.”

“The leadership that our new Conservative government is demonstrating today by investing over \$500 million into nuclear clean-up, starting with disposing of waste, some from the 1940s, 1950s and 1960s, using modern methods, is exactly the kind of leadership Canadians expect on the environment from Prime Minister Stephen Harper,” remarked MP Gallant.

“Today is a good day for Renfrew County and all Canadians who share our Ottawa valley love of a clean environment and the great outdoors,” stated Cheryl Gallant MP.

In joining Minister Lunn, MP Gallant congratulated him on the fact that his first major announcement as Minister of Natural Resources was for environmental clean-up. This announcement also ensures that AECL will continue to be an essential player not only in our local economy, but also in our government’s goal of clean air.

Atomic Energy of Canada Limited is a full service nuclear technology company providing services to nuclear utilities around the world. Established in 1952, AECL is the designer and builder of CANDU technology including the CANDU 6, one of the world’s top performing reactors. AECL’s 4,000 employees deliver cutting edge nuclear services, R&D support, design and engineering, construction management, specialized technology, waste management and decommissioning in support of CANDU reactor products. They work in partnership with our clients to provide clean, safe, reliable and affordable energy solutions.

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