

Canadian Nuclear Roadmap to 2050

Canada's Tier 1 Nuclear Industry



FLEET: 19 operating CANDU Reactors in Canada

at the Bruce Power, Darlington, Pickering, New Brunswick stations

CANDU Technology: SNC-

Lavalin has exclusive rights to CANDU technology IP SUPPLY CHAIN: 200+ companies

providing products and services





UTILITIES: 3 nuclear reactor utilities safely operating the Fleet – Ontario Power Generation, Bruce Power, New Brunswick Power

R&D: several internationally recognized facilities furthering nuclear innovation: Canadian Nuclear Labs (CNL) & universities





EDUCATION: institutions training high-skilled professionals for next generations: McMaster, UOIT, UWO, Durham College, etc.

MINING: 2nd largest exporter of Uranium led by Cameco; Saskatchewan has highest-grade Uranium in the world





WASTE MANAGEMENT:

global leader in permanent spent fuel disposal led by NWMO: Deep Geological Repository solution

ASSOCIATIONS: representing the industry and educating the general public: OCNI, CNA, CNS, NAYGN, WiN-Canada, UNENE



\$6B/year Industry 60,000 direct & indirect jobs 40,000 spin-off jobs \$1.2B in exports

Policy Objectives

Recognize Nuclear as Clean Energy providing base load electricity

- Nuclear electricity produces carbon emissions comparable to renewables
- Widely recognized as a key technology to combat climate change
- Nuclear is a key part of a low carbon electricity portfolio (e.g., 60% of Ontario's electricity comes from nuclear)
- Provides reliable electricity: highest capacity factors

Foster Socio-Economic benefits of the Nuclear Industry

- Significant economic impact of major projects:
 - Life extension of Ontario fleet
 - New build in Canada and internationally
- Low cost electricity from nuclear fosters a competitive economy
- Creates long-term high-skilled jobs in science, technology and engineering
- Education programs maintain specialized skillset
- Non-power applications:
 - Medical imaging, diagnosis and cancer treatment
 - SMRs for desalination, mining, Oil & Gas
- Develop aboriginal communities through delivery of electricity to remote locations

Maintain Canada's Nuclear Tier 1 status through investment in R&D / Innovation

- Next Generation CANDU & advanced fuels
- Life Extension tooling and robotics
- Development of Small Modular Reactors (SMR) & Very Small Modular Reactors (VSMR)
- Development of Gen IV reactors
- Decommissioning and waste management (D&WM) technology
- Maintain leadership in nuclear medicine applications
- Health: imaging, diagnosis, cancer treatment

Strengthen Canada's International Nuclear Leadership and Engagement

- Export Canadian-developed CANDU technology to international markets such as China, Argentina, the UK and Romania
- Nuclear governance mentor: Internationally recognized nuclear regulator
- Diplomatic leader in:
- Nuclear Trade
- Nuclear disarmament
- Nuclear as part of the climate change solutio

Trends and Pressures

Government & Regulatory:

- Importance of government support in export markets
- Complexity of nuclear export control regime impacts already long sales cycle
- Lack of global consensus on nuclear being "clean"

Energy Market:

- Federal and provincial pressure on carbon reductions
- Competition with heavily subsidized electricity generation sources (wind/solar)
- Low natural gas prices

Social License:

- Increased importance of social license: public acceptance & increased use of social media
- Misunderstanding of nuclear: peaceful vs. weapons
- Concerns regarding management of spent fuel and radioactive waste
- Increased engagement of aboriginal communities

Industry Dynamics:

- Industry shift & consolidation: major players merging, restructuring & exiting
- Workforce Generation Gap: several high-skilled professionals retiring soon
- West to East economic shift: rising populations and emerging markets
- Emergence of China as key player in nuclear projects

Financial and Project Risk

- Lack of funding for new build projects: large upfront capital investment leads to public to private funding shift
- Lower risk appetite for large projects

Technology

- SMR popularity in Canada for remote locations and various applications
- Electrification of transportation and heating and cooling systems

Other

- Emerging wave of facilities that are reaching end of life: Pickering, G2
- Shut down of NRU will challenge industry's ability to supply isotopes and conduct nuclear R&D

Policy Balances

Maintaining low electricity prices and supporting electrification while achieving carbon reduction commitments

How to address diff electricity needs of urban, remote and northern communities: SMR vs. Large CANDU Reactor

Encouraging Innovation and New Technologies that satisfy market demand

Addressing nuclear concerns (e.g., safety & cost) while maintaining public acceptance

Growing a new and sustainable workforce with fluctuating project commitments

Leverage international financing (e.g. Chinese) vs. maximizing Canadian jobs through Export Credit

Streamlining regulatory requirements while ensuring safety and security

Balancing a centralized nuclear strategic policy that meets market requirements

Balancing federal (e.g., regulation and R&D) and provincial (supply mix) jurisdiction for nuclear policy issues



Natural Resources Canada Levers

Legislation and Regulation

- NRCan has authority over Nuclear Research & Development, Uranium resource development and nuclear regulation through the Nuclear Safety and Control Act
- The Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) is the Nuclear regulatory agency and operates independently from the Minister's authority
- Ability to provide input required for science-based policy making (e.g., Mission Innovation)

Funding

• NRCan has a number of funding programs available for industry to support technology development and international engagement

Convening Power

- National leadership for provinces and territories on nuclear and energy policy given the separation of jurisdictions
- Ability to bring industry players together to address industry wide-issues and public concerns

Information Broker

- Host industry-wide forum for information sharing
- Seeks industry input on government-to-government related issues.

International Engagement

- Ability to lead international engagements in collaboration with Global Affairs. E.g., nuclear trade missions & bilateral discussions
- Ability to support industry-led initiatives
- Primary interface with international nuclear agencies (e.g., IAEA)

Governance

- CNSC and Atomic Energy of Canada Limited (AECL) are engaged with NRCan via the Minister of Natural Resources.
- Nuclear export control regime governed by Global Affairs Canada & CNSC.

Actions Requiring Ministerial Attention

Nuclear as part of the Climate Change Solution:

Continue to support Nuclear Initiatives under Mission Innovation and Clean Energy Ministerial Programs

Play a leadership role among like-minded countries to support the use of nuclear in a low carbon economy

Level Playing Field for Nuclear:

Establish appropriate market measures to incentivize development of low-carbon electricity sources including nuclear. E.g, carbon tax.

Acknowledgement of Nuclear's Contribution

Publicly acknowledge the merits and contribution that Nuclear energy makes

Address key areas of public concern with science and evidence-based information

Funding & Financing

Identification and allocation of accessible funding for new nuclear technology development

Allocation of funds for financing nuclear projects (e.g., EDC) and to access export markets

Policy & Planning

Develop centralized strategic policy that supports market needs and industry priorities for R&D

Federal government, provincial government & industry dialogue for long-term expansion of nuclear fleet and leadership in key areas

Vision to 2050: Maintaining Tier 1 Status

- Strategic alignment with other Nuclear nations to address trade, environment & disarmament issues
- Embed Nuclear as part of a low carbon future from an international, federal and provincial government policy position
- Enhance public support and social license for Nuclear to underpin consistent policy
- Successfully life extend and operate 10 CANDU Reactors in Ontario
- Build new CANDU reactors in Canada for domestic electricity consumption and export
- Develop and export new CANDU Reactors abroad
- Develop new nuclear technologies
- Deploy and localize SMR technology for remote & non-nuclear applications in Canada
- Sustain and renew R&D facilities in Canada
- Successfully implement long-term facilities for low, intermediate and high-level waste storage
- Successfully decommission nuclear facilities in Canada and abroad
- Renew the nuclear workforce in Canada
- Be a leader in the nuclear medicine field