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**OPG Breaks Ground for the Darlington Energy Complex**  
*Part of Continued Investment in Durham Region*

[DURHAM REGION]: The Darlington Energy Complex moved from concept to reality today as representatives from Ontario Power Generation (OPG), joined by business, community and political leaders from across Durham Region, officially broke ground for the building.

“The Darlington Energy Complex will be instrumental in helping us succeed with the refurbishment of Darlington’s four reactors,” said Albert Sweetnam, OPG’s Executive Vice President of Nuclear Projects. “The investment we are making to refurbish this plant will bring safe and reliable base load electricity generation for an additional 30 years, until approximately 2055. This is a good thing for Durham Region and the province,” he added.

The Darlington Energy Complex will include a full-scale mock-up of a Darlington reactor, which will allow staff working on the Darlington Refurbishment project to be trained prior to performing the intricate work inside the station. The 250,000 square-foot multi-purpose building will also house a public information centre, security processing centre, a training centre and a tooling and testing facility.

“This is a concrete expression of the support and need for nuclear power in Ontario, which provides carbon free electricity to power our homes and businesses,” said Mayor Adrian Foster of the Municipality of Clarington. “This building will ensure the workers on the Darlington refurbishment project are well trained and the results will be what we’ve come to expect as routine from the plant - dependable work from people who have earned our trust.”

The facility is located in the Clarington Energy Park, just west of the Darlington Nuclear station. In keeping with OPG’s commitment to conservation and environmental responsibility, the Darlington Energy Complex is a LEED-registered project with the Canada Green Building Council. McKay-Cocker Construction Limited and their subsidiary contractors have been awarded the contract to build the facility. The new building is scheduled to be completed summer 2013.

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