



# WESTERN WASTE MANAGEMENT

## YEAR-END PERFORMANCE UPDATE

My name is Laurie Swami, and I'm the Senior Vice President at OPG's Decommissioning & Nuclear Waste Management Division. Having started my career with Ontario Hydro/OPG here at the Bruce some 28 years ago, I have come full circle and am enjoying my time here in the community and at work. I most recently led OPG's Deep Geologic Repository (DGR) team through both rounds of hearings in front of the Joint Review Panel (JRP). These public hearings were an important reminder of the unique responsibility we have to safely manage our nuclear waste.

### **It's All About Performance**

In 2014, significant accomplishments were achieved at the Western Waste Management facility. In addition to no reportable spills, our employees worked more than three years without a lost-time accident. The transportation of waste from Darlington and Pickering nuclear stations to the Western Waste facility was made safely. In fact, since 2003, our drivers have travelled more than 3.25 million kilometres safely and accident free.

We also helped support 75 community projects in the areas of education, environment and health.

### **What's New With the DGR?**

The second public hearing in September for OPG's proposed DGR project gave participants, the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission and OPG, the opportunity to review and comment on new information requests issued by the JRP.

The safety case for the DGR remains strong and continues to confirm there will be no adverse effects to the people, the public or the environment.

With the public registry now closed, the JRP is preparing an environmental assessment report, which will set out the rationale, conclusions and recommendations. It will also include a summary of comments received from the public during the course of the review. The JRP has committed to complete the report by May 6, 2015. At that time it will be sent to the federal Minister of the Environment, who will have 120 days to render a decision.

**It was a busy and productive year.  
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