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## MP CHERYL GALLANT PROMOTES NUCLEAR INDUSTRY IN PARLIAMENT

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Ottawa, Ontario -“The Nuclear Industry in Canada needs to be more assertive when it comes to explaining that nuclear means more than clean, green-house gas free electricity,” stated Cheryl Gallant, MP. “Unfortunately, it seems to be only the negative stories get media play. I was very pleased by the response from other Parliamentarians to my recent statement in the House of Commons. They express pleasant surprise when I tell them about all the vital research that is currently taking place at the AECL Chalk River Laboratories.”

[Excerpt from Hansard, March 14, 2012](#)

### **Mrs. Cheryl Gallant (Renfrew—Nipissing—Pembroke, Conservative)**

*Mr. Speaker, the safety of Canadians is the top priority for employees at the Chalk River nuclear laboratories of AECL. In 2011, we witnessed first-hand the importance of safety in the nuclear industry after the earthquake and tsunami in Japan. Our home-grown nuclear industry is a world leader when it comes to developing cutting-edge technologies to mitigate risks.*

*The people of Chalk River Laboratories have developed a technology to absorb hydrogen gas. This gas represents a hazard in events such as occurred in Japan. The devices, known as passive autocatalytic recombiners, have successfully sold across Canada and to nuclear operators in Europe and Asia.*

*Canada was only able to develop this technology as a result of the testing facilities at Chalk River Laboratories. The nuclear industry is a vital part of Canada's economy. Over 50 companies and 70,000 full-time jobs help fuel our knowledge economy.*

*Congratulations to everyone who works at Chalk River Laboratories for making it one of the world's leading centres in nuclear science and research.*

“This is just one of the many activities that are happening in Chalk River. As a tier 1 nuclear nation, Canada benefits from having been involved in the nuclear industry for over 60 years. Our expertise is sold world-wide.”

“I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the past and present AECL employees who responded positively to my recent call to write a letter to the Minister of Natural Resources explaining why the work done at Chalk River Laboratories is so important. Please, keep those comments coming,” concluded MP Gallant.

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