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The First Year Canada's Nuclear Laboratories New Governmentowned, Contractor-operated (GoCo) Model

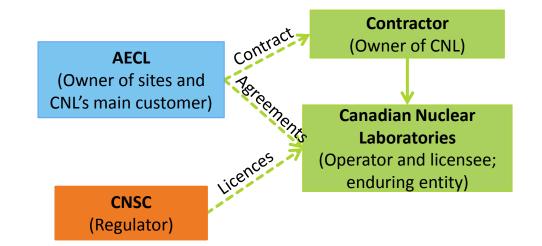
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AECL's GoCo Model

Canada's GoCo model is akin to the UK's:

- AECL (Crown corporation): Owns all facilities, assets, land, liabilities and IP; sets priorities; oversees performance
- Contractor Canadian Nuclear Energy Alliance (Parent-Body Organization): Brings international expertise, experience and reach back

Canadian Nuclear Laboratories (Site Operating Company / Site Licence Company): Operates and manages ALL of AECL's sites and facilities to achieve AECL mandate and priorities



Scope of GoCo model



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CANADIAN NUCLEAR LABORATORIES (Site Licence Company)

- ~ 3,000 employees
- ~ \$800M (CAD) / year budget
- Three areas of focus:
 - 1. Decommissioning and Waste Management- \$9.9B (CAD) liability
 - Renewed focus to advance DWM through the GoCo \$350M (CAD) + budget per year
 - 2. Nuclear science and technology
 - In support of Government of Canada
 - Offering services to third parties on a commercial basis
 - 3. Revitalization of the Chalk River infrastructure and facilities
 - New facilities to support the Science and Technology mission

Lab Revitalization: The Long-Term Vision

CHALK RIVER LABORATORIES TODAY



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The New Vision

CHALK RIVER LABORATORIES IN 2026





Early Lessons Learned

CONTEXT:

- First GoCo after more than 60 years of a <u>Go</u>Go
- Transformation needed in:
 - Leadership and culture
 - Infrastructure site facilities and supporting infrastructure
 - Business processes

KEY INGREDIENTS TO SUCCESS:

The right contract

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- Stable funding: Canadian GoCo model provides stable funding over 10 years
- Capable and experienced contractor (CNEA)
- Properly designed and staffed oversight organization (AECL)
- A positive relationship between the contractor and customer



AECL - Unrestricted

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Early Lessons Learned (cont'd)

TAKING STOCK:

- Transformation has begun but changing a 60-year old culture will take time
- Contract is working: simpler from a transaction point of view (as based on best practices/lessons learned from US and UK)
- Flexible contractual incentives are proving effective
 - Based on performance
 - Includes both award fee and performance-based incentives (PBIs)
 - Multi-year to achieve transformation
- A positive relationship from the outset has been established and further refinements are being pursued
- Stable, 10-year funding has allowed for long-term, strategic planning

OPPORTUNITIES:

- Need to adjust expectations based on each player's assumptions:
 - AECL new at GoCo
 - 'Unique' contract

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- Contractor assumption as to how client/contract may play out
- CNL (site licence company) used to operate in <u>**Go</u>Go environment**</u>

Looking Forward

NEAR-TERM

- Long-term plans finalized
- Business plans for major capital projects accepted
- Enhanced performance reporting and EVMS
- Integrated and strategic approach to decommissioning and waste management
- AECL/CNL Partnering Agreement

LONG TERM

- Accelerated D&WM program leads to a significant reduction in AECL's liabilities
- The Chalk River Laboratories is a world class, sustainable national nuclear laboratory delivering science and technology nationally and internationally
 - Renewal of the Chalk River Laboratories' infrastructure: Capital projects delivered on time, on budget
 - Increased efficiency and reduction of cost in management and operations
 - Growth of commercial science and technology business

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