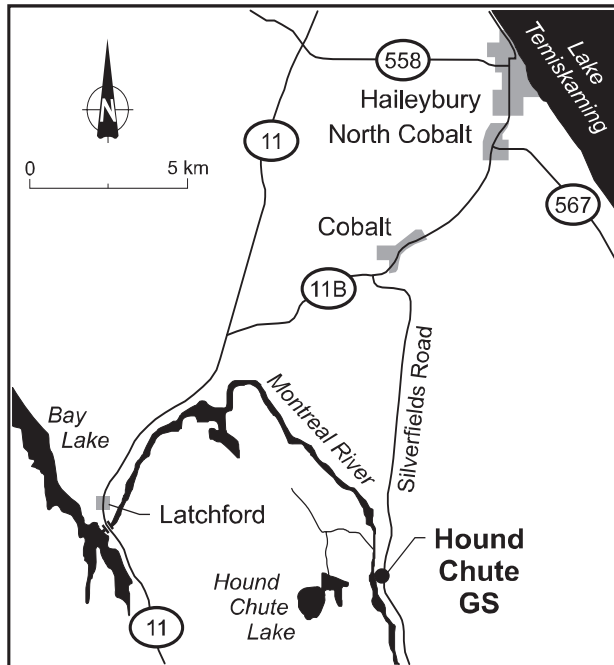


# HOUND CHUTE HYDROELECTRIC GENERATING STATION REDEVELOPMENT

Ontario Power Generation Inc. (OPG) is proposing to redevelop the Hound Chute Generating Station located on the Lower Montreal River, east of the Town of Latchford on the site of the existing generating station (the Proposed Undertaking). The Proposed Undertaking will replace the existing generating facility and when complete will provide an expected capacity of 10.2 megawatts from the existing 3.6 megawatts capacity. The generating station will connect to the local distribution system via an existing 44 kilovolts feeder. Hound Chute is located about 10 kilometres east of the Town of Latchford and 10 kilometres south of the Town of Cobalt in the District of Timiskaming.



The Proposed Undertaking consists of the following: A new powerhouse will be built at the site. There will also be some refurbishments and modifications made to the existing civil works such as the dams. The existing powerhouse and associated electricity connections will be decommissioned.

The new generating station will continue to meet operating requirements identified in the Water Management Plan for the Montreal River. The Proposed Undertaking will improve reliability, improve efficiency and increase capacity of the existing renewable resource, while reusing and upgrading existing civil infrastructure. The facility will continue to operate as a run-of-the-river facility and be managed so that there is no change to the water levels and flows.

The project is subject to the requirements of OPG's Class Environmental Assessment for Modifications to Hydroelectric Facilities under the Ontario *Environmental Assessment Act*. Discussions are currently being held with federal authorities to determine if a federal environmental assessment is required. In addition, a number of environmental permits and approvals may be required including approvals from the Ontario Ministry of the Environment and the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources.

## YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND AN OPEN HOUSE ON THURSDAY APRIL 20, 2006

Consultation will take place through the environmental approval process. OPG is committed to consulting with the respective First Nations, government agencies, the public and other interested stakeholders on the Proposed Undertaking. Input and comments will be considered and included in the preparation of the Environmental Assessment Report.

To encourage public participation OPG will be holding two public open houses in Latchford at key stages of the process to provide the parties the opportunity to speak directly with representatives of OPG and its environmental consulting team. **The first Open House will be held on Thursday April 20, 2006 at the Latchford Recreation Centre in Latchford from 3:00 pm – 8:00 pm. A formal presentation will be given at 6:45 pm.** A second Open House will occur in early fall of 2006.

OPG has retained SENES Consultants Limited of Richmond Hill, Ontario, to undertake the environmental assessment. For more information on the Hound Chute Proposed Undertaking or to be included in our mailing list, please contact: **Ed Dobrowolski**, Project Manager, 700 University Avenue, H18 C16, Toronto, Ontario, M5G 1X6, telephone: (416) 592-3266, e-mail: [info@houndchute-ea.com](mailto:info@houndchute-ea.com); or **Phil Shantz**, Senior Planner, SENES Consultants Limited, 121 Granton Drive, Richmond Hill, Ontario, L4B 3N4, telephone: (905) 764-9380, e-mail: [info@houndchute-ea.com](mailto:info@houndchute-ea.com) More information about the Proposed Undertaking can be obtained from the web site: [www.houndchute-ea.com](http://www.houndchute-ea.com).

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