## **NOTICE OF PROJECT UPDATE**

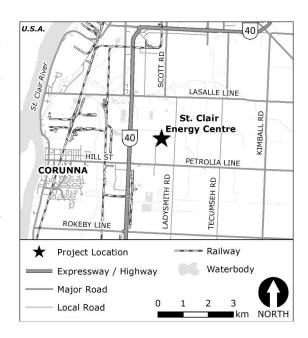
# PROJECT UPDATE FOR THE PROPOSED UPGRADE AND EXPANSION OF THE ST. CLAIR ENERGY CENTRE – ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT



#### THE PROJECT

Invenergy is a leading privately held, global developer and operator of sustainable energy solutions. With electricity demands in Southern Ontario anticipated to grow significantly over the next several years, St. Clair Energy Centre, owned and operated by St. Clair Power, L.P., an affiliate of Invenergy, is proposing to expand the nameplate capacity of the existing facility located in St. Clair Township, Ontario. At this time, the proposed expansion to the facility will include the following projects:

- 1: (Upgrade) Increase plant capacity through process improvements and equipment upgrades. Requiring no physical expansion of the plant, this scenario results in approximately an additional 70 megawatts (MW) of generating capacity.
- $\underline{2:}$  (Expansion) Addition of a new gas turbine(s), or reciprocating engines, to achieve a total of approximately 100-120 MW of additional capacity. This would require the expansion of the plant footprint and other upgrades to infrastructure.



#### PROJECT UPDATE

Invenergy has submitted two separate proposals to the Independent System Electricity Operator (IESO) for the upgrade and expansion of the St. Clair Energy Centre: Same Technology Upgrade Solicitation for Project 1 (Submission completed in December 2022) and Expedited- Long Term 1 (E-LT1) Request for Proposal (RFP) for Project 2 (Submission completed in February 2023). Based on changes to IESO's initial procurement schedule and provided that no project awards have been issued to date, Invenergy has decided to proceed with Project 1 (Upgrade) at this time, to continue to progress the project in order to remain in line with adhering to the IESO's stated timeline for same technology upgrade facilities to be operational. Except for a change in additional generating capacity from 60 MW to 70 MW, no other changes to Project 1 are anticipated at this time and the information presented for Project 1 in late 2022 remains the same. A decision on whether to proceed with Project 2 (Expansion) will occur at a later date once the E-LT1 process concludes sometime in Quarter 2, 2023.

### **ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT**

The Guide to Environmental Assessment Requirements for Electricity Projects (the "Guide") issued by the Ontario Government pursuant to the Environmental Assessment Act ensures that an Environmental Review Report (ERR) will be prepared for Project 1 and will identify the potential authorizations required. The ERR will also provide an assessment of potential effects and propose mitigation measures for the construction and operation of the facility.

#### INVITATION TO STAKEHOLDERS AND THE COMMUNITY

Stakeholder and Indigenous engagement and consultation is a key component of this project. We invite the community and stakeholders to provide input that will be considered in the preparation of the ERR. Comments can be submitted on the website link or email address below and will be accepted until April 27, 2023. The project website will have information and tools available to provide comments. Comments can also be sent to the contact information below.

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