

## Commercial and financial close achieved for The Ottawa Hospital Regional Cancer Program

In 2002, The Ottawa Hospital, along with Cancer Care Ontario, conducted a review to ensure that its regional program would be able to not only address the shortage of space at the existing facilities, but to also meet the growing demand for treatment.

Currently, The Ottawa Hospital Cancer Centre operates from two campuses: The Ottawa Hospital General Campus, located in Ottawa's east end, and The Ottawa Hospital Civic Campus, located in Ottawa's west end. The outpatient cancer treatment and research facilities at both locations reach out and provide cancer services and supportive care to more than 1.5 million people in Ottawa and Eastern Ontario.



*The Ottawa Hospital  
General Campus*

Following the review of the regional program, the government announced that it would proceed with plans to consolidate all cancer services of The Ottawa Hospital at the General Campus, as well as introduce a satellite site at Queensway Carleton Hospital in order to deal with the expansion challenges that were being faced at the Civic Campus.

Specifically, it was decided that The Ottawa Hospital General Campus site would be expanded and renovated to provide capacity for eight radiation treatment machines and additional space to offer four clinics and 50 chemotherapy spaces.

Meanwhile, the Queensway Carleton Hospital site would see the construction of a new four-storey building that would create space for three radiation machines, two clinics and 33 chemotherapy spaces.

Having an integrated cancer program means that the quality of life and care of patients will be enhanced through the delivery of advanced-level cancer services, and by bringing together programs in systemic therapy - chemotherapy,

radiation therapy, surgical oncology, preventative oncology, palliative medicine and supportive care.

"We are pleased that our patients will have improved access to lifesaving radiation therapy close to home," said Dr. Jack Kitts, President and CEO of The Ottawa Hospital.

"We know that with a growing, aging community comes a greater need for advanced-level cancer services," said Tom Schonberg, Queensway Carleton Hospital President and CEO. "We are committed to ensuring these services are available when and where they are needed most."

In December 2007, Infrastructure Ontario announced that PCL Constructors Canada Inc. was selected to build and finance The Ottawa Hospital Regional Cancer Program redevelopment project.

The total estimated cost of redeveloping both hospitals is \$180.6 million. This cost includes the fixed construction contracts with PCL Constructors Canada Inc., as well as other estimated costs related to each project such as furniture, equipment, permits, architectural and engineering fees and transactional and project management fees.

Construction for the two-site cancer project will officially begin in February 2008 with The Ottawa General Hospital site to be completed in 2011 and the Queensway Carleton site to be completed in 2009.



*Queensway Carleton Hospital*

## Festival Hydro Smart Meter Project Financed through Infrastructure Ontario's OSIFA Loan Program

In response to the Ministry of Energy's plan to have all Ontario households on Smart Meters by December 31, 2010, Festival Hydro has taken advantage of Infrastructure Ontario's affordable OSIFA Loan Program to help finance the deployment of Smart Meters for its more than 18,000 customers.



With a projected cost of \$5,000,000, the new Smart Meters will have two-way communication capabilities that will track how much electricity customers use and at what time of day they use it. Festival Hydro will also be able to retrieve billing details automatically and remotely thereby dispensing with the need for manual meter reading services and reducing the

overall expense to the consumer. The detailed reporting will also enable Festival Hydro's customers to shift their energy usage habits and take advantage of less expensive energy rates during periods when there is surplus capacity.

Festival Hydro reviewed various alternative financing options for their smart metering project and found that the OSIFA Loan Program was the most favourable in terms of interest rates available.

"By using this program, we have access to financing at a very competitive rate and will have saved thousands of dollars over the life of the loan," said Bill Zehr, President of Festival Hydro. "Once installed, the Smart Meters will enable Festival Hydro to better adapt to our customers needs while contributing to energy conservation."

## Executive Changes at Infrastructure Ontario

As an organization, Infrastructure Ontario takes pride in having a talented and hard working group of employees with a broad range of experiences from both the private and public sectors. As we have grown and expanded into new sectors, so too have the abilities of our employees. That is why they are now taking on more senior roles within the organization. It is with this in mind that we have made changes to our Project Delivery team, including:

- Jim Dougan has been appointed to the new role of Executive Vice President, Project Delivery.
- Vas Georgiou has been appointed Senior Vice President, Project Delivery.
- Derron Bain has been appointed Vice President, Project Delivery.
- Angelo Gismondi has been appointed Vice President, Project Delivery.

These changes not only bring new energy and enthusiasm to the challenges and opportunities that lie ahead, but also the

experience and leadership necessary for Infrastructure Ontario to continue to deliver its projects on time and on budget.

### AFP Project Milestones

- Woodstock General Hospital - Request for Proposals announced, January 8, 2008
- London Health Sciences Centre/St. Joseph's Health Care - RFP Close announced, January 15, 2008.