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Munters lands order for dehumidification of nuclear reactors

Ontario Power Generation (OPG), one of North America's largest power producers, has purchased 12 customized dehumidification systems from Munters for removing heavy water from the reactor buildings of the Pickering Nuclear Power Station.

Heavy water is a valuable commodity for the Candu nuclear reactors designed by Atomic Energy of Canada Ltd (AECL). Munters vapor recovery systems remove heavy water vapor from the air, and condense it to liquid. The system also reduces the tritium radiation levels in the plant, and also those released to the environment, making the reactor safer for workers and the community.

Munters first supplied four such dryers for the first reactor being overhauled in the spring of 2000, and has now been awarded the contract for all of the 4 reactors being overhauled.

"This order is the result of a complete team effort between the project management, service and sales groups in Munters. It fits in line with our Key Accounts' strategy of focusing on developing long term relationships with core customers. After OPG's experiences with Munters persistent attention to details on the first project, we became the only logical choice for the next phase of the project.", says Scott Haynes, National Key Accounts Group Manager.

The total value of the order is CAD 3.9 million (SEK 26 million).

There are currently 22 Candu reactors in Canada and another 10 worldwide.

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