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Local 1325

CARPENTERS
Local 2103

CONSTRUCTION &
GENERAL WORKERS
Local 92

CONSTRUCTION &
SPECIALIZED WORKERS
Local 1111

ELEVATOR CONSTRUCTORS
Local 122

ELEVATOR CONSTRUCTORS
Local 130

IBEW
Local 424

INSULATORS
Local 110

MILLWRIGHTS
Local 1460

OPERATING ENGINEERS
Local 955

PAINTERS & ALLIED TRADES
Local 177

PLASTERERS &
CEMENT MASONS
Local 222

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Local 8

TEAMSTERS
Local 362

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CULINARY WORKERS
Local 47

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Local 488

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Local 496

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HEADLINE: Building Trade Unions Support Alberta's Investment in CCS

BODY TEXT:

The Shell Quest Project will capture and store more than one million tonnes of carbon dioxide (CO₂) per year from the Scotford Upgrader and its expansion. The Province of Alberta has awarded \$745 million in funding for the Quest project over 15 years.

"The Building Trades of Alberta and our membership unilaterally support Alberta's investment in the Shell Quest Project," states Richard Wassill, Board Chairman. "Alberta has taken an important step toward achieving its climate change goals by finalizing this agreement with Shell Canada Energy for the Shell Quest carbon capture and storage (CCS) project."

The Government of Canada is contributing \$120 million toward this project through the Clean Energy fund to help demonstrate CCS technology and advance Canada's leadership on clean energy technologies while reducing greenhouse gas emissions from energy production.

"The Building Trades of Alberta have played an important role in the developmental construction and maintenance of Alberta's oil and gas sectors," adds Wassill. "We see this first application of CCS technology for an oil sands upgrading operation as a significant contributor to global knowledge. This will help other CCS projects get up and running more quickly."

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Alberta's energy sector accounts for more than 25% of the province's GDP and currently almost one in seven Albertans are directly or indirectly employed by the energy industry. There will be approximately 500 construction jobs per year associated with the Quest Project, and over 20 full-time operation and maintenance positions added at Scotford.

"Alberta has one of the most skilled workforces in the world," says Mr. Wassill. "We have the talent and will to bring about positive change to our environment through the Quest Project."

The Building Trades of Alberta represents over 60,000 skilled-trade professionals belonging to 15 unions and 20 locals. As a member of the Refine It Where We Mine It coalition, the BTA is committed to building Alberta's value-added industries.

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