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## **INTERNATIONAL CCS KNOWLEDGE CENTRE HOSTS INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL**

**REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN** – For the second year in a row, the International CCS Knowledge Centre in Regina, Saskatchewan is hosting the prestigious IEA Greenhouse Gas Programme Summer School. The school, held at the University of Regina next week, marks the 11<sup>th</sup> time students have come together in the Summer School at different locations around the world, and the first time a city is a repeat host. The 40 diverse global students will be at the University from July 17 to 22 focusing, on Carbon Capture and Storage (CCS), led by a team of international experts in the field.

Regina is ideally suited to host the School, as it is home to the International CCS Knowledge Centre, which was established in 2016 through a partnership between global resources company BHP and provincial power utility SaskPower to share the experience and learnings gained at SaskPower's Boundary Dam CCS project and work towards accelerating the global deployment of CCS technology. The IEAGHG CCS Summer School aims to provide students from diverse academic backgrounds with a broad understanding of the issues surrounding CCS and encourage their active participation in this area. "The IEAGHG Summer School aims to broaden the knowledge base around CCS in industrialized and developing countries, particularly at an academic level. The Knowledge Centre is proud to host the IEAGHG Summer School again this year as a key component of meeting our mutual goals," said Mike Monea, President & Chief Executive Officer of the International CCS Knowledge Centre. "A unique aspect of the Summer School in Regina is the rare opportunity of learning first-hand about Boundary Dam's technology and the potential for its application in a world that will continue to use coal to generate electricity for some time to come. Additionally, this knowledge can also be applied to other industrial sources," Monea added.

The summer school lasts for one week and includes presentations and discussion groups led by more than 20 international CCS experts. In addition to the discussion programme, the students are divided into teams to undertake short research activities on issues of importance within the CCS area, with a presentation to their peers at the end of the week. A highlight of the week in Regina is a tour of SaskPower's Boundary Dam CCS operation, Aquistore and Carbon Capture Test Facility.

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**THE INTERNATIONAL CCS KNOWLEDGE CENTRE:** Operating under the direction of an independent board, the International CCS Knowledge Centre was established by BHP and SaskPower in 2016 with a mandate to advance the understanding and use of CCUS globally to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

**THE IEA GREENHOUSE GAS R&D PROGRAMME (IEAGHG)** is an international collaborative research programme established in 1991 under the International Energy Agency (IEA). IEAGHG studies and evaluates technologies that can reduce greenhouse gas emissions derived from the use of fossil fuels, the main technology of focus is carbon dioxide capture and storage (CCS). IEAGHG is funded by its 33 member countries and organisations.