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## International CCS Knowledge Centre, Global CCS Institute Forge Partnership

MOU Executed to Accelerate the Deployment of CCS worldwide

Regina, SK, Canada: The International CCS Knowledge Centre in Regina, Saskatchewan and the Global Carbon Capture and Storage Institute announced the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) today at the Centre's office, which is located in the Innovation Place technology hub on the University of Regina campus. The agreement intends to promote greater collaboration between the two organizations to support the global deployment of carbon capture & storage (CCS) technology.

The two organizations recognize that they share the same objectives of accelerating the implementation of CCS worldwide by sharing knowledge and best practices that will advance CCS technology and understanding. The MOU sets out a partnership that can help fulfill their mutual goals of sharing expertise and knowledge, building capacity and influencing policy and regulatory structures.

Under the MOU, the two parties will identify opportunities for joint activities, as they seek to remove barriers to the capture, transportation and storage of carbon dioxide  $(CO_2)$  – a key contributor to climate change. They will jointly conduct an annual workshop on CCS, and will cross-promote each other's activities and achievements in an effort to raise awareness around the environmental and economic benefits that CCS can deliver.

"We are excited at the opportunity to work with our like-minded colleagues at the Global CCS Institute in a collaboration that is so aligned with our mutual objectives," said Mike Monea, President and CEO of the International CCS Knowledge Centre.

"This partnership will solidify the work of both organizations in tackling global greenhouse gas emissions and, ultimately, climate change. We are looking forward to jointly hosting our First Annual Symposium on CCS in Regina in the fall as one of the first initiatives under this MOU," Mr. Monea added.

"The CCS Knowledge Centre is an ideal body for our organization to align with, as its corporate supporters – SaskPower and BHP Billiton – and the province of Saskatchewan have all demonstrated an unwavering commitment to CCS," said Brad Page, Chief Executive Officer of the Global CCS Institute. "This MOU forms a natural partnership that will further extend the reach of CCS and reinforce its standing as a key solution toward establishing a diversified, low-carbon emission economy."

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**About the Global CCS Institute** The Global CCS Institute is an international membership organization. Our mission is to accelerate the development, demonstration and deployment of carbon capture and storage (CCS), a vital technology to tackle climate change and provide energy security.

Working with and on behalf of our Members, we drive the adoption of CCS as quickly and cost effectively as possible by sharing expertise, building capacity and providing advice and support so that this vital technology can play its part in reducing greenhouse gas emissions.

Our diverse international membership consists of governments, global corporations, small companies, research bodies and nongovernment organizations, committed to CCS as an integral part of a low-carbon future. We are headquartered in Melbourne, Australia with regional offices in Washington DC, Brussels, Beijing and Tokyo. For more information, visit www.globalccsinstitute.com

About the CCS Knowledge Centre The International CCS Knowledge Centre, an initiative of SaskPower and BHP Billiton, is a non-profit organization operating out of Regina, Saskatchewan. Its goal is to advance the deployment of CCS globally, while providing informed discussion of the means to achieve global GHG reduction targets. The Knowledge Centre will create and foster collaborative relationships with external organizations for this purpose while enabling global access to SaskPower's Boundary Dam Carbon Capture Facility expertise. Advancing the deployment of carbon capture, utilization and storage is at the forefront of its mandate. The Boundary Dam Carbon Capture Facility was the first power project to successfully integrate carbon capture, transport and storage. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.ccsknowledge.com">www.ccsknowledge.com</a>