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### **MOU promotes stronger ties between U.S. and Canadian nuclear suppliers.**

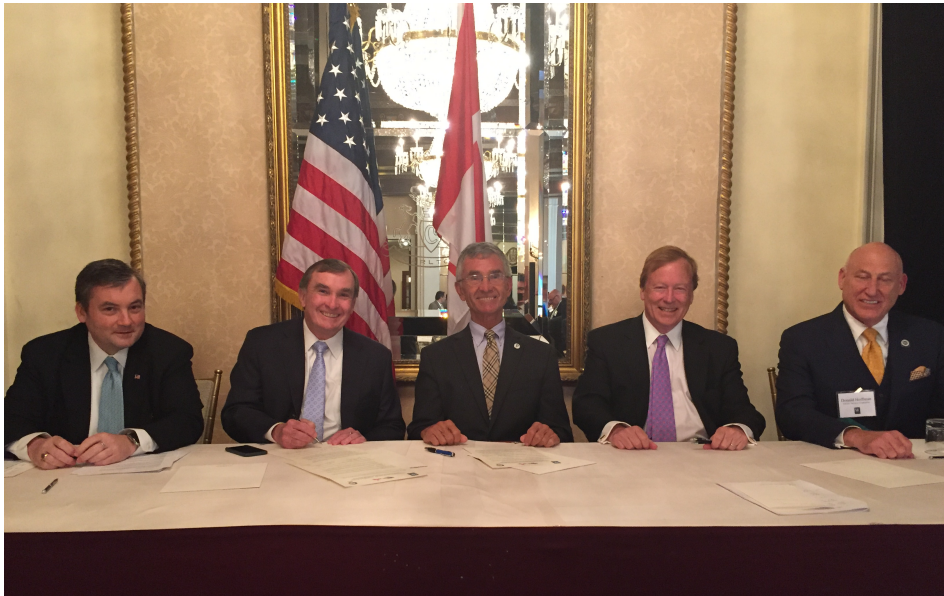
**July 18, Washington, DC.** The U.S. Nuclear Infrastructure Council (USNIC) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Organization of Canadian Nuclear Industries (OCI). The MOU was signed by Mr. Robert Wilson, Chairman of USNIC, and Dr. Ron Oberth, President and CEO of OCI, at the close of the two-day Special Summit on Global Nuclear Energy Markets in Washington, DC on July 12 and 13 organized by USNIC.

The Special Summit on Global Nuclear Energy Markets featured insightful presentations and panel discussions by U.S. and international experts on the opportunities and challenges of working in expanding offshore nuclear markets. Various panels explored global nuclear market drivers, assessed competitive landscapes, reviewed best practices, provided guidance on export controls issues and tackled financing options.

This USNIC-OCI MOU outlines several ways that USNIC and OCI can work together including identifying nuclear project opportunities in the USA, Canada, and other countries on which OCI and USNIC members can bring their complementary capabilities in achieving good project outcomes. The USNIC-OCI MOU will also facilitate collaboration and innovation among U.S. nuclear and Canadian nuclear suppliers and research organizations in furthering the development and deployment of advanced reactors and small modular reactors.

“We look forward to exploring synergies among our U.S. and Canadian suppliers that can be harnessed to promote innovative products and services to the North American nuclear markets as well as to the rapidly expanding nuclear markets in Asia, the Middle East and Europe” noted USNIC Executive Director David Blee.

“OCI celebrates this MOU signing and looks forward to building a strong working relationship with the U.S. nuclear supply chain community in ensuring that nuclear power plays a key role in combatting climate change while creating quality long term jobs in Canada and the USA” said OCI President Dr. Ron Oberth.



*USNIC Chairman, Bobby Wilson and OCI President, Ron Oberth sign the USNIC-OCI MOU with (Left to Right): USNIC Vice Chairman, David Jones; Bobby Wilson; Ron Oberth; USNIC Executive Director, David Blee and USNIC International Working Group Chairman, Donald Hoffman.*

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#### **About USNIC & OCI:**

**The United States Nuclear Infrastructure Council (USNIC)** is the leading U.S. business consortium advocate for new nuclear and promotion of the American supply chain globally. Composed of over eighty companies NIC represents the "Who's Who" of the nuclear supply chain community. For more information visit [www.usnic.org](http://www.usnic.org)

**Organization of Canadian Nuclear Industries (OCI)** is an association of more than 180 leading Canadian suppliers to the nuclear industry in Canada and foreign markets. OCI companies design reactors, manufacture major equipment and components, and provide engineering services to CANDU and Light Water Reactor (LWR) plants in offshore markets. For more information, visit [www.oci-aic.org](http://www.oci-aic.org)

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