

# Outstanding Contribution Award – Mr. Ken Talbot



Ken Talbot, Executive Vice President and Chief Engineer, Bruce Power, has served the nuclear industry nationally and internationally with great distinction. Most recently, he played a very strong leadership role in achieving the rapid return to service of Bruce Units 3 and 4 after a six-year lay-up, and in the continued excellent performance of Bruce B. With an honours degree in mechanical engineering in the UK, he immigrated to Canada in 1970. Following training at Ontario Hydro’s NPD, Ken was transferred to help start up Pickering A. He took on positions of increasing responsibility and his appointment as Pickering B Commissioning Manager won wide approval because of his intimate knowledge of CANDU systems, the high standards he set for himself and his appreciation of the efforts of others. He also managed the operational aspects of retubing and rehabilitating Pickering Units 1 and 2. From 1988 to 1991, he was Manager, Corporate Program (Nuclear) for Ontario Hydro. In 1995/6, Pickering had major operational difficulties, resulting in the shutdown of all eight reactors. Ken Talbot was sent there, and he motivated the employees in their efforts to return the units to service. He left Ontario Power Generation in 1997 to provide consulting services internationally. In 2001, Ken was asked to help form and help lead Bruce Power.

Ken was CNS President in 1988/9, and, throughout his career, he has been making important contributions to the CNS, the ANS and international nuclear industry organizations.

**PURPOSE OF THE AWARD:**

To recognize each year Canadian-based individuals, organizations or parts of organizations that have made significant contributions in the nuclear field, either technical or non-technical. There are two categories of the award, one for individuals and another for organizations or parts of organizations.