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## ***Enhanced Mobility Agreement***

Recognizing the need to further enhance the inter-association mobility of licensed engineers in Canada, a new milestone was recently reached between the Association of Professional Engineers of Nova Scotia (APENS), the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of New Brunswick (APEGNB), and the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Saskatchewan (APEGS).

This milestone, the *Enhanced Mobility Agreement*, takes the existing *Agreement on Mobility of Professional Engineers Within Canada* one step further by eliminating the notwithstanding clause.

Although the notwithstanding clause was invoked for less than one percent of all transfer applicants, it gave the right to carry out a full evaluation of any applicant who applied for registration from another Canadian jurisdiction. If an evaluation was carried out, the association/ordre could assign any additional admission requirements deemed necessary, consistent with their admission procedures.

While APENS, APEGNB and APEGS are proud to have signed the new *Enhanced Mobility Agreement*, it should be noted that current legislation prohibits some of the other associations/ordre from signing onto the new agreement at this time.

For more information on the *Enhanced Mobility Agreement*, please contact Marie Carter at [marie.carter@ccpe.ca](mailto:marie.carter@ccpe.ca) or (613) 232-2474, ext. 245

## ***CCPE to Host Senior Public Service Executives Dinner***

The Canadian Council of Professional Engineers (CCPE) is planning to host its second "Senior Public Service Executives Dinner" at Ottawa's Rideau Club, on January 31, 2006.

The event links CCPE staff, and executive directors from the provincial and territorial licensing bodies, with senior executives of the federal government public service to discuss issues which intersect with the practice of engineer-

ing. Moreover, it is an opportunity for CCPE to highlight its message on issues such as infrastructure renewal and climate change adaptation, while exploring opportunities for future dialogue and cooperation.

The reception is a part of CCPE's ongoing government relations activities which are aimed at fostering dialogue and strengthening relationships between the engineering profession and public policy community.

## ***Federal Elections - National Parties Positions***

Speaking on behalf of Canada's largest profession, the Canadian Council of Professional Engineers (CCPE) recently sent the five leading federal political parties a questionnaire on issues of concern to Canadian engineers.

The questions, to be posted on CCPE's website along with their answers, were:

1. *What will your party do to improve the settlement of skilled immigrants and ensure their full participation in the economy?*

2. *How will your party deal with Canada's aging infrastructure?*

3. *What will your party do to ensure that existing and future infrastructure is able to adapt to the impact of climate change?*

Responses are expected by December 15<sup>th</sup>. We invite you to visit our website at [www.ccpe.ca](http://www.ccpe.ca) to find out what your political leaders and their parties think!

## CCPE Welcomes New Staff Members

### **Brian Smith** - Director, Public Affairs

Brian's extensive experience makes him ideally suited for leading CCPE's growing government relations program. Before joining CCPE, Brian spent five years as a government relations consultant with one of Canada's premier public affairs firms, following a 30-year career as an official in the federal government (Departments of Finance, External Affairs and International Trade). Brian holds degrees from the University of Victoria (BA) and from Carleton University (MA) and did post-graduate work at Keio University in Tokyo.

### **André Breault** - Manager, Finance

As the manager of finance, André is responsible for the financial and the accounting aspects of CCPE. Fluently bilingual, André has served as a team leader for more than 20 years. He has been a controller for companies in Greater Montreal and Winnipeg. A certified general accountant (CGA), André has a bachelor's degree in business administration and also holds a diploma in hotel management.

### **Marian Corak** - Manager, Research

Marian brings a wealth of experience to the manager of research position. For over 10 years, she conducted research, technical support and project management, while working on F18 aircraft maintenance for DND and research/technical support/marketing in the pulp and paper industry. A registered P.Eng. with PEO, Marian also holds a master's degree in chemical engineering.

### **Erica Vezeau** - Assistant, Educational Affairs (Visits)

Erica joined us this past September and is with CCPE on an 18-month contract. In her role, Erica assists with the preparation for Canadian Engineering Accreditation Board (CEAB) accreditation visits to Canadian universities and provides general administrative support to the Educational Affairs staff. Erica recently completed a master's degree at the University of Ottawa.

## Making Dreams Come True

Every holiday season, CCPE reaches out to those who are less fortunate by donating \$1,000 to a national charity organization.

This year, the staff at CCPE have voted to support the Humane Society of Canada (HSC), a national organization dedicated to ensuring the safe and fair treatment of ani-

mals. HSC, among other important functions, carries out hands-on programs to support animal shelter and rehabilitation. For more information about the HSC, please visit: <http://www.humanesociety.com>

CCPE hopes our donation to HSC will help make the holiday season happier for our fine furry friends.

## CCPE Holiday Hours

CCPE's office will close at 4:30 p.m. on Friday, December 23, and will re-open at 8:30 a.m. on Tuesday, January 3.

CCPE staff wish all the best to our colleagues, friends, and volunteers for a safe and happy holiday and a very happy New Year.

## Calendar of Events

- ❑ January 1-7, 2006, Canadian Federation of Engineering Students (CFES) Congress, Windsor, Ontario

