



## **AWARD FOR MERIT**

### **TERMS OF REFERENCE**

#### **Purpose**

The Award for Merit bestows distinction on outstanding engineers and geoscientists to recognize their exceptional achievements in either of engineering and geoscience. This is the highest award presented by PEGNL.

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

The nominee must meet the following requirements:

- Be a professional engineer (P.Eng.) or professional geoscientist (P.Geo.) and be a member in good standing with PEGNL.
- Have accomplished major achievements.
- Members of PEGNL Board of Directors are not considered eligible for an award until completion of their term of office.

#### **Nomination Procedures**

The Awards Committee will set the closing date for receipt of nominations each year and the Chief Executive Officer will forward the call for nominations to the members. The closing date will normally be on or before February 28th.

- All nominations should normally be supported and submitted to the Awards Committee by a PEGNL member; however, the Awards Committee may also select nominees independently.
- Each nomination shall be accompanied by a description of the work and achievements of the nominee for the award, together with supporting evidence for committee consideration.

## **Selection Criteria**

Consideration is given to continued leadership in the profession and in the community, to outstanding achievements, and to recognition obtained.

Nominees will be considered for achievement and undertakings as follows:

- Engineering or geosciences excellence, and recognition of achievement within the profession, business or industry, or education sector that has set a benchmark for engineers or geoscientists to strive for. (50%)
- Active participation in engineering or geoscience associations, societies, institutes, etc.(20%)
- Active participation in commissions, voluntary organizations, community organizations and other paid or unpaid work beyond the profession.(20%)
- Public education and understanding of the role of engineering and geoscience, and professional engineers / professional geoscientists in Canadian society.(10%)

## **Award Procedures**

- Recipients are selected by the Awards Committee for recommendation to the PEGNL Board of Directors.
- The Awards Committee has the authority to determine whether or not a nomination is to be advanced to the PEGNL Board of Directors after reviewing all applications for the award.
- At the discretion of the Awards Committee, a maximum of two nominations, preferably one each for an engineer and geoscientist, may be brought forward for consideration per year.

## **Announcement**

Recipients will be notified by telephone and in writing.

The Award for Merit is presented by PEGNL during its annual conference and general meeting.

Award recipients should agree to standard publicity notification.

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