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## Professional Engineers Ontario to ring-in new year with novel roadmap to advance its self-regulatory role and the practice of engineering

Toronto – (December 3, 2014) – Professional Engineers Ontario (PEO) unveiled a blueprint that embraces a new vision for the association through the adoption of a comprehensive and ambitious three-year strategic plan. The 2015-2017 Strategic Plan was approved by PEO council at its November meeting and will be used to determine the priorities for PEO programs and initiatives, and provide guidance for council, committees, task forces and staff over the next three years.

“PEO is facing many challenges as we approach 100 years of regulating the engineering profession in Ontario,” said Registrar Gerard McDonald, P.Eng. “Our strategic plan is a roadmap for how we will meet these challenges and implement the required changes.”

As part of the plan development process, new vision and mission statements were solicited and refined. PEO’s vision is to be the trusted leader in professional self-regulation. Its mission is to advance the practice of engineering to protect the public interest.

Among the strategic objectives developed for the plan are:

- that recommendations from the Elliot Lake Commission of Inquiry are earnestly implemented;
- that members regard PEO as their trusted advisor and advocate in matters of professional practice;
- that regulations, standards and guidelines are produced through an evidence-based, integrated and streamlined policy-making process;
- to optimize the complaints process, balancing transparency, fairness and timeliness;
- to ensure that the practice and title-provisions of the *Professional Engineers Act* are judiciously enforced and continuously improved;
- to engage key regulatory ministries and industry in engineering public policy development;
- to increase public respect for the role of PEO;
- that PEO’s governance approach is robust, transparent and trusted;
- that PEO chapters are engaged in the regulatory mandate of the association;
- that equity and diversity values and principles are integrated into the general policy and business operations; and
- that PEO is recognized as an employer of choice.

The plan was produced by PEO staff and volunteers over nine months, and involved extensive research and stakeholder consultation. The strategies to realize the plan’s strategic objectives will be reviewed and updated annually by PEO council as part of the association’s budget planning cycle.

PEO’s 2015-2017 Strategic Plan and its supporting documents are available on the association’s website at: [http://www.peo.on.ca/index.php?ci\\_id=28289&la\\_id=1](http://www.peo.on.ca/index.php?ci_id=28289&la_id=1).



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## **About Professional Engineers Ontario**

Through the *Professional Engineers Act*, PEO governs over 82,000 licence and certificate holders and regulates professional engineering in Ontario to serve and protect the public. Professional engineering safeguards life, health, property, economic interests, the public welfare and the environment. Professional engineers can be identified by the P.Eng. after their names.

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