Fall 2020 Regulation Changes Proclaimed

Effective December 7, 2020, Regulation 941 under the Professional Engineer Act has been amended as follows:

Provisional Licence

- The amended s.44.1 of Regulation 941 clarifies the test the Registrar shall apply (“may grant” changed to “shall issue”) for giving a provisional licence to someone who qualifies. The qualifications for a Provisional Licence are set out in the Act and the Regulation and remain unchanged.

Other Housekeeping Changes

- In addition, the amended Regulation includes some necessary housekeeping items, as follows:
  - It updates the term “Canadian Council of Professional Engineers” in section 29(f) to “Engineers Canada” as per that organization’s legal name change in 2013;
  - It removes the clause “subject to the Chapter’s by-laws” in section 32.1, thereby allowing engineering interns to hold any position on a chapter executive;
  - It changes the clause “an engineering program from a Canadian university” to “a Canadian engineering program” in section 33(1) to potentially allow for CEAB-accredited engineering programs at other institutions;
  - It changes the term “thesis” in sections 33 and 36 to “engineering report” to reflect the terminology currently in use;
  - It reflects Council’s decision in March 2020 to use a national professional practice examination (NPPE); see sections 1, 37, 38, and 46 of the regulation;
  - It changes the term “the date of submission of the application for membership by the applicant” to “the date on which the applicant submitted the application” in section 37, since a person applies for a licence, not membership to PEO under sections 5 and 14 of the Act; and
  - It adds “limited licence” to section 37 to make sure that it is clear, as in section 46, that an applicant in this category must also pass the NPPE.