

My name is **Arthur Sinclair**, an Engineer with leadership and vision.

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In my [first email](#), I spoke of the need for licencing and committee reform at the PEO. In this email I will talk about self-regulation.

Self-regulation engages professional expertise and provides a level of autonomy from other government interest. To regulate one's profession is not a right. It is a responsibility and a privilege bestowed by statute that outlines the need for licensing, discipline & enforcement, and standards of practice.

While appropriate standards of practice can serve the public good, professionals must not be burdened by ineffective, unnecessary, and outdated regulations. This is why I believe in the risk-based principles of "*right touch regulation*" where one must understand the problem before jumping to the solution. Sometimes solutions in place do not apply to today's reality, hence my focus on **PEO's modernisation**.

Self-regulation gone wrong can erode public trust in the organization and by extension confidence in its members. I believe that **effective self-regulation contributes to a positive public perception of P.Eng. licence holders**.

PEO members' interests matter, which is why in 2000 PEO council created the Ontario Society of Professional Engineers (OSPE) "*to create a separate organization dedicated to advancing the interests and aspirations of members and promoting the profession*". I will strengthen the PEO-OSPE relationship to be more effective serving members' and public interests.

Self-regulation without self-interest is possible with **leadership**, **integrity**, and **transparency**, which is why these three words feature prominently in all my campaign material. I take a lot of pride in being a Professional Engineer and Self-regulation is part of the reason.

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