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for PEO Western Region Councillor

Hello Fellow PEO Members: As a PEO license holder for 29 years I have seen how the profession has evolved and believe I can contribute to making sure the organization remains resilient and relevant as we move forward.

I am an Environmental Engineer who has worked for both industrial and municipal clients for over 25 years. I completed my undergraduate and graduate degrees at the Universities of Guelph and Toronto.

My most recent position was General Manager of the Lambton Area Water Supply System (LAWSS) from 2010 to 2018 where I managed assets and capital projects and oversaw the operations and maintenance of the water treatment plant, booster stations and distribution system. I was on the Board of Directors of the Ontario Municipal Water Association (OMWA) from 2016 until I left LAWSS in 2018.

I understand that a recent regulatory performance review at the PEO identified several issues which are currently being addressed. I am also aware of a new governance road map that was developed and that the PEO Council is currently implementing. I would like to volunteer my time to assist with this important work.

I am also interested in learning more about the voluntary Practice Evaluation and Knowledge (PEAK) program. While not a proponent of mandatory training I do believe that the PEO should encourage and promote continuing education in the profession as well as celebrate our collective accomplishments.

In conclusion, I believe I have the skills and experience to work effectively and cooperatively within the PEO Council to achieve the changes that are required to respond to the current identified issues as well as any new challenges in the upcoming years.

If you require any further information please contact me at susan.macfarlane@sympatico.ca. Please vote!