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Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Mines **Anthony Leardi**, MPP (Essex) (centre left) attended a “Take Your MPP to Work Day” with the PEO Windsor Essex Chapter at the Essex-Windsor Solid Waste Authority on October 27th. With him in the picture are Chapter GLP Chair **Asif Khan**, P.Eng., Waste Disposal Manager **Tom Marentette**, P. Eng. (centre), General Manager **Michelle Bishop**, and GLP representative **Danny Castellan**, P.Eng.,

PEO WINDSOR ESSEX CHAPTER HOSTS TAKE YOUR MPP TO WORK DAY

(WINDSOR) - PEO Windsor Essex Chapter held a Take Your MPP to Work Day on October 27th with **Anthony Leardi**, MPP (Essex). The event was hosted by Chapter Chair **Asif Khan**, P.Eng., **Danny Castellan**, P.Eng., and **Tom Marentette**, P.Eng.

MPP Leardi tweeted about the event, saying “It was a highly informative afternoon, and I appreciate the insight into the day to day work that you do.”

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MPP, PEO PRESIDENT AND CEO CONFIRMED FOR PEO GLP TRAINING SUMMIT



Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development **Deepak Anand**, MPP (Mississauga–Malton) (left) has confirmed his attendance at the PEO GLP training summit on November 18th. Also speaking at the event will be PEO President **Roydon Fraser**, P.Eng. (centre), and PEO CEO and Registrar **Jennifer Quaglietta**, P.Eng. (right)

Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development **Deepak Anand**, MPP (Mississauga–Malton) will speak to attendees of the November 18th PEO GLP training summit.

Attendees will also learn from Osgoode Hall adjunct professor and partner at Gardiner Roberts LLP **Kenneth Jull** will speak on the importance of regulation and regulatory bodies.

University of Western Ontario professor **Kate Graham** will discuss the ways PEO and volunteers can show leadership in the field of public policy regulation.

PEO CEO and Registrar **Jennifer Quaglietta**, P.Eng., President **Roydon Fraser**, P.Eng., and External Relations Director **David Smith** will also be speaking at the summit on PEO's goals for the coming months.

The PEO GLP training summit will take place on November 18th at the Holiday Inn Toronto International Airport. To register for the GLP summit, [click here](#). The deadline to register for the training summit is November 1st.



PEO has also confirmed the attendance of legal regulation expert **Kenneth Jull** (left) and University of Western Ontario professor **Kate Graham** (right) at the November 18th GLP training summit.

PEO CEO NAMED ONE OF TOP 100 MOST POWERFUL WOMEN IN CANADA

PEO's CEO **Jennifer Quaglietta**, P.Eng., has been named one of Canada's Top 100 Most Powerful Women in 2023 by Women's Executive Network.

PEO congratulated Ms. Quaglietta on LinkedIn, writing, "At PEO, her visionary leadership has led to significant advancements in modernizing regulatory operations and promoting equity, diversity, and inclusion. We are proud to celebrate her contributions to PEO and the engineering profession."

"It is a true honour to represent Professional Engineers Ontario during this time of transformation," said Ms. Quaglietta. "I'm blessed to receive this acknowledgement and while I reflect on 2023, I am even more energized by what lies ahead in 2024."

Four other professional engineers were selected to the Women's Executive Network's list: **Joanne Atlee**, P.Eng., **Stephanie Thompson**, P.Eng., **Mary Wells**, P.Eng., and **Aiping Yu**, P.Eng.



Recently added to the Top 100 Most Powerful Women in Canada, PEO CEO **Jennifer Quaglietta**, P.Eng., will also be a guest speaker at the November 18th PEO GLP training summit.



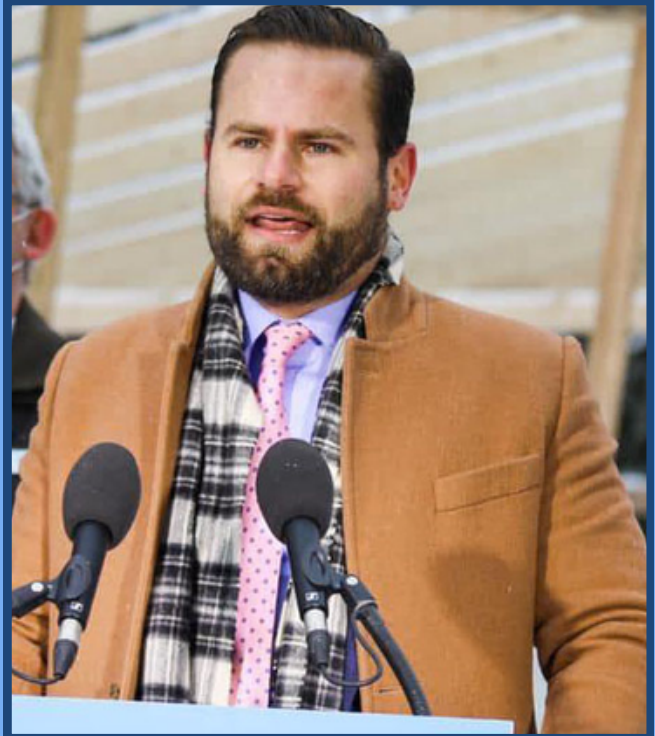
Professional engineers **Joanne Atlee**, P.Eng. (left), **Stephanie Thompson**, P.Eng. (centre-left), **Mary Wells**, P.Eng. (centre-right), and **Aiping Yu**, P.Eng. (right) were also selected by the Women's Executive Network as part of Canada's Top 100 Most Powerful Women.

LABOUR MINISTRY MAKES CHANGES TO CRANE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

The Ontario Ministry of Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development has announced regulation changes to improve crane safety on construction sites.

According to the announcement, the changes aim to keep workers and the public safe and avoid work stoppages related to tower crane design, erection and inspection requirements for professional engineers in Ontario.

The changes are related to Regulation 213/91 (Construction Projects) and O.Reg. 420/1 under the *Occupational Health and Safety Act*, and will come into effect on January 1, 2024, and others the following year. The complete proposal may be found on *Ontario's Regulatory Registry*.



Labour, Immigration, Training and Skills Development Minister **David Piccini**, MPP (Peterborough--Northumberland) and his office have brought forward new changes to crane safety requirements in the interest of public and worker safety.

A statement by PEO said: "Professional engineers are required to stay up to date and comply with all relevant codes, standards and regulations as provided by the government or any body issuing them.

"PEO will be issuing a practice bulletin to provide more detail for professional engineers doing this work while we update PEO's *Review of Tower Cranes as Required by the Occupational Health and Safety Act Practice Standard*."

For engineers performing this type of work on tower cranes who are interested in assisting PEO with updating our practice standard to reflect the pending regulation changes are asked to email engagement@peo.on.ca.

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The event began with a 45-minute tour of the Essex-Windsor Solid Waste Authority facility, including an overview of the site's operation. During the tour, MPP Leardi took part in engaging dialogue, and showed his curiosity through the questions he asked of his guides.

MPP Leardi was also formally introduced to **Danny Castellan**, P.Eng., as Mr. Castellan will be the Essex MPP's formal GLP representative. PEO Windsor Essex Chapter GLP Chair **Asif Khan**, P. Eng., also explored potential future collaboration opportunities with MPP Leardi throughout the tour.



PEO Windsor Essex GLP Chair **Asif Khan**, P.Eng. (left), and **Anthony Leardi**, MPP (Essex) (right), during a tour of the Essex-Windsor Solid Waste Authority facility on October 27th.

While speaking about PEO and its mandate, Mr. Khan explained how landfill operations require a multidisciplinary approach, with various engineering and environmental experts working together to ensure that waste disposal is done safely and in compliance with environmental regulations.

"Engineering plays a crucial role in achieving the goal of minimizing the environmental impact, protecting public health, and maximizing the efficiency of waste management systems," said Mr. Khan.

"This event unmistakably demonstrated that the GLP Program has successfully achieved its objectives, evident from the reactions and interests of the participants. Overall, the event was a resounding success," said Mr. Khan. "We eagerly look forward to future collaborations."

KITCHENER BYELECTION ANNOUNCED FOR NOV. 30

Following the resignation of NDP MPP **Laura Mae Lindo** in July, the riding of Kitchener Centre will elect their new representative on November 30th.

The candidates for the four major parties are IT consultant **Rob Elliott** (PC), Kitchener city councillors **Debbie Chapman** (NDP) and **Aislinn Clancy** (Green), and previous provincial candidate **Kelly Steiss** (Liberal).

For those interested in learning more about the upcoming byelection, [click here](#).



NEW LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR ASSUMES ROLE NOV. 14



Lieutenant Governor of Ontario **Elizabeth Dowdeswell** (left) will step down from her position on November 14th. She will be succeeded by **Edith Dumont** (right)

Lieutenant Governor **Elizabeth Dowdeswell** will be stepping down from her role on November 14th, following nine years in the position.

Throughout her tenure, Lieutenant Governor Dowdeswell has met with professional engineers across the province.

Succeeding Lieutenant Governor Dowdeswell will be educator **Edith Dumont**. Ms. Dumont will be the first Francophone Lieutenant Governor in Ontario's history.



WHAT ARE THE GOALS OF PEO GOVERNMENT LIAISON PROGRAM?

The goals of PEO's Government Liaison Program (GLP) are:

- To ensure that the government, PEO licence holders and the public continue to recognize its regulatory mandate, in particular its contributions to maintaining the highest level of professionalism among engineers working in the public interest.
- To have the government view PEO as a partner and understand and support PEO's policy direction.

Through the *Professional Engineers Act*, PEO governs more than 90,000 licence and certificate holders and regulates and advances engineering practice in Ontario to protect the public interest. Professional engineering safeguards life, health, property, economic interests, the public welfare and the environment.

Past issues are available on the PEO Government Liaison Program (GLP) website at <https://www.peo.on.ca/index.php/aboutpeo/glp-weekly-newsletter>

Deadline for submissions is Thursday the week prior to publication. Our next issue is November 10.

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