CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

Non-Governmental or Indigenous Organization Representative for the Canadian Ambient Air Quality Standards Development and Review Working Group

Air Management Committee
Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment

Background

The Canadian Council of Ministers of the Environment (CCME) is the primary, minister-led intergovernmental forum in Canada for collective action on environmental issues of national and international concern. The 14 member governments work as partners in developing consistent environmental standards and practices.

In 2012 environment ministers, with the exception of Québec, agreed to take further action to protect the health of Canadians and the environment through the implementation of the Air Quality Management System (AQMS), including a collaborative process with continued external engagement of interested parties.

Canadian Ambient Air Quality Standards (CAAQS) drive air quality management across Canada. CCME’s Air Management Committee (AMC) has established the CAAQS Development and Review Working Group (CDRWG) to obtain participation, advice and recommendations from industry, environmental, health and Indigenous organizations in the development of new CAAQS and review of existing CAAQS.

CDRWG currently has one vacant seat available for a representative of environmental, health or Indigenous organizations. CDRWG is composed of up to six industry members and up to six members representing environmental and health non-government organizations (NGOs), and Indigenous organizations. Federal, provincial and territorial technical and policy experts in the fields of health and the environment are also a part of the working group.

CDRWG meets in person or holds teleconferences and webinars two to four times per year. For non-governmental and Indigenous organizations, travel expenses are reimbursed according to CCME guidelines.

In making recommendations the working group strives for consensus, as defined by CCME.
Qualifications and Evaluation

Only individuals from environmental and health NGOs, and Indigenous organizations are invited to respond. All assessment and weighting of criteria are at the sole discretion of CCME. AMC will evaluate all nominations and select a member for CDRWG based on the following qualification criteria:

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<td>Have a good understanding of the AQMS work undertaken to date and the objectives of AQMS</td>
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<td>Have a good understanding of air quality management issues in Canada, particularly as they relate to ambient levels of SO₂, NO₂, particulate matter and ozone</td>
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<td>Have an understanding of the role of Canadian Ambient Air Quality Standards (CAAAQS) in achieving the goal of protecting the health of Canadians and the environment</td>
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<td>Have the ability to participate constructively in dialogue with other participants and with government representatives</td>
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<td>Have the ability to contribute perspectives on behalf of their sector(s) and organization(s)</td>
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<td>Have the personal commitment to fulfill the responsibilities of this position, including being available to participate in meetings, teleconferences, and webinars</td>
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<td>Be committed to bringing the outcomes of meetings back to appropriate constituencies</td>
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<td>Have a willingness and capacity to consider both Canada-wide and regional perspectives that will bring forward constructive solutions and drive collaboration</td>
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Method of Submission and Deadline

Nominees must submit an application using the Application Template (Attachment A) by e-mail to Laura Crawford, lcrawford@ccme.ca, by Monday, July 30, 2018, 12:00 noon CDT.

Further information on CDRWG, AQMS and CCME is also available from Laura Crawford.

Notification

AMC will notify all nominees of the results of the evaluation process by August 15, 2018.
Attachment

Air Quality Management System CAAQS Development and Review Working Group

Call for Nominations Application Template

Name:
Organization:
Address:

Email Address:

Summary (500 words maximum) of personal and organizational air quality management and consultation qualifications in Canada: