

## 2015 APEGBC MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL INFORMATION

### SECONDARY PROFESSIONAL LIABILITY INSURANCE (SPLI) PREMIUMS

Effective July 1, 2013 the National Secondary Professional Liability Insurance (SPLI) Premium is included in your annual membership fee, and will not be billed separately. Your membership fee now includes the annual premium, which is collected on behalf of Engineers Canada. APEGBC members in good standing will continue to be enrolled in the program. For more information on the program, please see [www.apeg.bc.ca/For-Members/Secondary-Professional-Liability-Insurance-Program](http://www.apeg.bc.ca/For-Members/Secondary-Professional-Liability-Insurance-Program)

### CPD REPORTING

Under the APEGBC Code of Ethics, members are responsible for undertaking continuing professional development (CPD) that is relevant to their practice. APEGBC's CPD Guideline outlines the association's expectations regarding the types of activities and amount of professional development that practising members should be undertaking. Compliance with the CPD Guideline and reporting of CPD activities is recommended but not mandatory.

To comply with the current CPD Guideline, members must complete an average of 80 Professional Development Hours (PDH) per year (240 PDH on a three-year rolling total.) As directed by APEGBC Council, those compliant with the CPD Guideline will be identified in APEGBC's online membership directory as "Declared CPD Compliant."

Supporting documentation (e.g., certificates, receipts) should not be submitted, but must be kept on file for audit purposes for a minimum of four years.

#### **To report your 2014 CPD at a later date:**

Visit [apeg.bc.ca](http://apeg.bc.ca), log into the member portal and choose **Manage Professional Development** from the menu.

For more information on continuing professional development, visit [apeg.bc.ca/prodev](http://apeg.bc.ca/prodev)

### NON-PRACTISING STATUS

Members who wish to change their membership status to non-practising can do so via the Member Portal by selecting the "Apply for Non-practicing status" link and completing the declaration. Members may also change their status by contacting the registration department at 604.412.4856 or by email at [register@apeg.bc.ca](mailto:register@apeg.bc.ca). Please note that a change in practice status does not alter the membership fee.

## PRACTICE DECLARATION

In order to ensure that information used by the association and provided to the public regarding members' industry of practice and field(s) of expertise is current and accurate, all APEGBC members and/or licensees are strongly encouraged to verify and update their Practice Declaration. The information provided is used to populate the APEGBC online membership directory. To update your information, select "update area of practice" from the Practice Declaration link in the member portal at any time during the year. Members may also request a copy of the Practice Declaration form by contacting APEGBC at 604.412.4884.

## COMMUNICATION PREFERENCES

By indicating your preferences, you can choose what type of communication you receive and in what format. Update your communication preferences by navigating to [apeg.bc.ca/communications](http://apeg.bc.ca/communications), then log in using your membership number and password. Changes to your communication preferences can also be made by contacting the APEGBC office.

**By Phone:** 604.430.8035

**By Mail:** The Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of BC  
200 – 4010 Regent Street, Burnaby, BC V5C 6N2

*APEGBC's 2015 Annual Renewal Notice and online membership renewal system make it easy for members to make tax-deductible contributions to APEGBC's Foundation and Benevolent Fund Society.*

## THE APEG FOUNDATION

The APEG Foundation provides scholarships and bursaries to students in engineering and geoscience. The generous donations by members and firms has enabled the Foundation to expand the number and value of undergraduate scholarship awards and grants to more than \$1 million since its inception in 1994. Last year the Foundation awarded 63 scholarships to deserving students pursuing their education in engineering or geoscience. Annual member contributions to the Foundation remain integral to the success of the Foundation's scholarship programs.

## BENEVOLENT FUND SOCIETY

Since 1983, the Benevolent Fund Society has helped APEGBC members in times of financial crisis brought on by unemployment or ill health. In 2011, the Benevolent Fund Trust was transformed to function as a Society. This change allows the Benevolent Fund to take advantage of protections afforded by the *Society Act*. The Society dispensed a total of \$18,168 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2014. We encourage members to consider donating to the Benevolent Fund Society as a means to help fellow members during difficult financial times.

*Your tax deductible gift to APEGBC's Foundation or Benevolent Fund Society helps in many ways.  
Please consider supporting these valuable and worthy charities.*