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EDUCATION

**Bachelor of Applied Science (B.A.Sc.), 1985
Civil Engineering, University of British Columbia
Specialization—Environmental Engineering**

**Diploma of Technology (Dipl.T.) with Honours, 1981
Chemical and Metallurgical Technology, British Columbia Institute of Technology
Specialization—Pollution Control**

WORK EXPERIENCE

January 2011 to Present **Acting Regional Director**
Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency, Pacific and Yukon Region

- Providing advice to senior Agency officials on the application of the *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act* and coordination of federal and provincial environmental assessment and Aboriginal consultation processes in BC
- Managing the regional office, including human resource, financial, IT and accommodations management and leading a team of 30 staff
- Providing direction to team leads on the management of complex federal environmental assessments and consultations with First Nations, integrated with the environmental assessment process, on behalf of the Government of Canada
- Undertaking outreach activities to promote understanding of and compliance with the federal environmental assessment process to government decision makers, proponents and stakeholder groups

April 2009 to December 2010 **Associate Regional Director**
Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency, Pacific and Yukon Region

- Supported the Regional Director in leading the Canadian Environmental Assessment Agency's programs and services in BC
- Managed the region's financial and human resources, including business and HR planning, staff recruitment, performance management, budgeting and expenditure management
- Developed strategies and tools to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of federal environmental assessment in the region

- Nov 2008 to March 2009 **Acting Director, Environmental Protection Operations and Manager, Sector Support Section**
Environment Canada, Pacific and Yukon Region
- Planned, managed and directed delivery of environmental protection regulatory programs related to industrial operations, contaminated sites and municipal wastewater in BC and Yukon
 - Provided strategic advice and briefing services to senior officials in Environment Canada
 - Managed the financial and human resources of the division and section
- Nov 2007 to Oct 2008 **Acting Manager, Environmental Assessment and Marine Programs Section / Environmental Assessment Section**
Environmental Protection Operations, Environment Canada, Pacific and Yukon Region
- Planned, managed and directed Environment Canada's environmental assessment and disposal at sea programs in BC and Yukon
 - Led multi-disciplinary teams to develop departmental positions on the environmental assessment of high profile projects, including preparation of written submissions detailing Environment Canada's advice and recommendations on scientific and regulatory issues
 - Prepared briefing materials with strategic advice and recommendations on the department's position on major environmental assessments (e.g. South Fraser Perimeter Road, Deltaport expansion, large mines)
 - Managed the financial and human resources of the section
- July 2004 to Nov 2007 **Acting Manager, Pollution Prevention & Assessment Section**
Environmental Protection Operations, Environment Canada, Pacific and Yukon Region
- Planned, managed and directed programs and projects to administer Environment Canada's regulatory mandate in the areas of environmental assessment, industrial pollution prevention, municipal wastewater, aquatic effects assessment and contaminated sites
 - Provided advice and recommendations to senior management on environmental protection strategies related to municipal wastewater, shellfish, ocean disposal, industrial wastewater and contaminated sites
 - Led Environment Canada's involvement in major environmental assessments including a panel (e.g. Sea to Sky Highway, Vancouver Convention Centre, Fairview/Deltaport terminals, Kemess North mine)
 - Managed Environment Canada's participation in Aboriginal consultations regarding environmental assessments and disposal at sea permitting
 - Developed briefing materials and media lines on complex issues (e.g. CRD/GVRD sewage, Koppers contaminated site, Eurocan tainting)
 - Managed the clean water component of the Georgia Basin Action Plan
 - Prepared regional input to Cabinet and Treasury Board submissions
 - Managed the financial and human resources of the section

- Dec 2001 to June 2004 **Head, Environmental Assessment & Waste Prevention**
Environmental Protection Branch,
Environment Canada, Pacific and Yukon Region
- Planned and managed regulatory compliance promotion programs for contaminated sites, municipal discharges and hazardous wastes
 - Coordinated input to federal and provincial environmental assessments including panel hearings (e.g. GSX, SE2)
 - Provided scientific and regulatory advice on contaminated sites and negotiated compliance requirements pursuant to the *Fisheries Act*
 - Managed the regional component of national consultations for proposed new hazardous wastes and petroleum storage tanks regulations
 - Managed the financial and human resources of the section
- June to Nov 2001 **Assignment reporting to the Regional Director General (RDG)**
Environment Canada, Pacific and Yukon Region
- Developed and implemented a strategic human resources plan
 - Represented the RDG with other levels of government and with business and environmental organizations
 - Organized management and stakeholder roundtable meetings
 - Analyzed Cabinet documents and coordinated regional input to national initiatives (e.g. HR Modernization, Values and Ethics)
- May 1996 to May 2001 **Head, Technology and Pollution Prevention Section**
Environmental Protection Branch, Environment Canada, Pacific and Yukon
- Planned and managed the Clean Water program of the Georgia Basin Ecosystem Initiative
 - Managed the regional environmental technology program including organization of two Canada-China technology transfer workshops
 - Developed environmental management programs for small business in collaboration with other government agencies and industry associations
 - Represented Environment Canada on the BC Pollution Prevention for Small Business Working Group, BC Pollution Prevention Implementation Advisory Committee and BC Agriculture Partnership Committee
- Nov 1994 to March 1995 **Business Planner, Monitoring and Systems Branch**
Environment Canada, Pacific and Yukon Region
- Designed a management framework for revenue and cost-share agreements
 - Assisted management preparations for Program Review (budget cuts)
- Nov 1991 to Nov 1994
and
April 1995 to April 1996 **Senior Engineer, Pollution Abatement**
Fraser Pollution Abatement Office, Environmental Protection Branch,
Environment Canada, Pacific and Yukon Region
- Led Fraser River Action Plan industrial effluent discharges program
 - Developed a database inventory of pollution sources and loadings in the Fraser River watershed

- Managed contracts and agreements for wastewater sampling/analysis and best management practice and pollution prevention guidelines

April 1991 to Oct 1991

Acting Head, Emergency Response Division

Environmental Protection Branch, Environment Canada, Pacific and Yukon

- Managed 24-hour spill reporting and spill response operations for BC
- Chaired the multi-agency Regional Environmental Emergency Team

April 1986 to April 1991

Senior/Project Engineer, Mining and Metallurgy Program

Environmental Protection Branch, Environment Canada, Pacific and Yukon

- Coordinated environmental assessments of large mine development proposals to ensure fulfillment of federal requirements, including the input of US agencies where transboundary resources were affected
- Conducted technical reviews of waste management permit applications and negotiated incorporation of federal requirements in permits and approvals issued by the Province of BC
- Represented Environment Canada at a permit appeal hearing
- Conducted inspections and wastewater sampling at mine sites to assessment compliance with the *Fisheries Act*

May 1985 to April 1986

Program Officer, Field Services Unit

Environmental Protection Service, Environment Canada, Pacific and Yukon

- Conducted audits and wastewater sampling at industrial and municipal facilities to assess compliance with the *Fisheries Act*

PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATION

Registered Engineer (Civil), Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of the Province of BC

COMMUNITY SERVICE

Team Manager/Assistant Manager, Vancouver Thunderbirds Minor Hockey Association (2007-2011)
 B.C.I.T. Environmental Engineering Advisory Committee (2002-2007)
 Vancouver International Airport Environmental Advisory Committee (2002-2004)
 Spare Time Child Care Society (Board Chairperson 2004-2006; Board Member 2001-2004)
 Science Council of BC Environmental Technology and Waste Management Committee (1996-1998)

REFERENCES

Available upon request