INFORMATION TO BE PROVIDED, AS APPLICABLE

- Title of Submission
 PEO AGM 2022 Member Resolution re Openness and Transparency
- 2. Please briefly describe the issue, problem, risk or gap that this submission addresses.

Until recently, in the spirit of transparency and openess, meetings of PEO Council and most standing committees have been open to the public except when confidential matters are being discussed, and recordings of their procededings have been posted on the PEO website. Their agenda materials have also been available on request.

- 3. Please summarize the action that you are requesting from Council and how it will address the issue, problem, risk or gap stated above.
- 4. Please cite and briefly summarize any research that supports the proposed action.
- 5. As applicable please describe how the proposed action will contribute to serving and protecting the public interest as it pertains to the regulation of professional engineering and the engineering profession.

Openness and transparency are essential for public confidence in professional self-regulation.

6. Please identify any legal considerations (eg., the need for changes to the statute, regulation, by-laws etc.) that may affect Council's ability to implement the proposed action.

Within purview of Council; no legislative changes required.

7. Please identify any considerations that are relevant to the timing (or urgency) of the proposed action.

For immediate action.

- 8. Please provide any other information that you feel will assist members of the AGM and Council in understanding your submission, in particular your proposed action.
- 9. Please list any attachments to this document.

AGM Resolution

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Date: 10 April 2022

PLEASE FORWARD THE COMPLETED SUBMISSION ELECTRONICALLY, WITH ANY ATTACHMENTS

TO:

CEO/REGISTRAR, c/o AGMSUBMISSIONS@PEO.ON.CA AT LEAST TEN (10) DAYS PRIOR TO THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

PEO AGM 2022 Member Resolution re Openness and Transparency

WHEREAS PEO's mandate is to regulate the practice of engineering in Ontario in the public interest, and

WHEREAS openness and transparency in PEO's governance and operations are essential to public trust in the engineering profession and its regulation, and

WHEREAS open access for members of a regulated profession to understand and have input into its regulation is essential for successful regulation in the public interest, as recognized by Section 22 of PEO's By-Law No.1, and

WHEREAS it is a principle of democratic governance that the governed should have access to all information concerning their governance except where such information meets prescribed criteria for confidentiality.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT

- 1) All meetings of PEO Council, Committees, and Task Forces be open to the public except for meetings or portions thereof where the matter being considered is one of the following exceptions:
 - (a) the security of PEO property;
 - (b) personal matters about an identifiable individual;
 - (c) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of real property;
 - (d) labour relations or employee negotiations;
 - (e) litigation or potential litigation, including matters before courts of justice or administrative tribunals:
 - (f) advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose;
 - (g) a matter in respect of which the Council or committee is required to hold a closed meeting under the Professional Engineers Act or other legislation;
 - (h) information explicitly supplied in confidence to PEO by Canada, a province or territory, or a crown agency of any of them;
 - (i) a trade secret or scientific, technical, commercial, financial or labour relations information, supplied in confidence to PEO which, if disclosed, could reasonably be expected to prejudice significantly the competitive position or interfere significantly with the contractual or other negotiations of a person, group of persons, or organization.
- 2) Council reinstate immediately the posting on PEO's website of recordings of Council meetings with both audio and video where available.
- Council direct staff that notices and complete agenda materials of all open Council and Committee meetings are to be made available to PEO members and the public upon request.

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