

## TRUTH - TRUST - TRANSPARENCY

**Vajahat (Vaj) Bandy**, P. Eng., FEC, MSEE, MSCE, PE (Michigan)

for **VICE PRESIDENT**



You can count on me to remain resolute, principled and firm as I have done by voicing your concerns as your elected PEO Councillor-at-Large. **I will continue to work for a better profession for all of us.**

Highlights of my previous PEO volunteer experience include:

PEO 15 year Volunteer Award	<b>2023</b>
Lieutenant – Governor Appointee to PEO Council	<b>2019</b>
Fellow of Engineers Canada Award	<b>2017</b>
Georgian Bay Chapter Chair	<b>2013 – 2015</b>
PEO volunteer since	<b>2007</b>

### MY KEY FOCUS AREAS

- ✓ **Open and transparent public meetings** should be the default. Public policy must be discussed in the public domain, not via in-camera meetings.
- ✓ **More member involvement in council decision making** – I am concerned to observe a consistent shift within Council, that veers away from the democratic founding principles of PEO. For example, by-law amendments have been made without members' referendum. An outrageous proposal is being discussed that would abolish elections in favour of a fully appointed 'designer' council. The concept of a self-governing profession is in dire jeopardy. Members must have their say.
- ✓ **Member Run Profession** – I am troubled by the willingness of recent Councils to offload their fiduciary duty and statutory obligations to unelected PEO staff and outside hired "experts". This profession belongs to us, the members. We run the profession in order that the interests of the public are served and protected.
- ✓ **Emerging disciplines** – have been neglected by PEO for the past 50 years. For the safety of the public, the Profession must regulate and govern new technologies like Cyber Systems, AI Engineering and Quantum Engineering.

It is imperative that every member has the right to a legally enforceable license ensuring enhanced professional esteem and access to job opportunities.

- ✓ **Entrepreneurs & new graduates** – New technology and globalization have made PEO irrelevant in society. To restore our former reputation, we need to bring all engineering graduates into our tent. The P. Eng. licence should be promoted as a way of adding value, instead of being portrayed as a burden.
- ✓ **Engage governments** – Ontario needs a Technology Strategy that begins by identifying technologies, emphasizing innovation, building required infrastructure, while focussing on developing a highly workforce skill.
- ✓ **Unite the Profession** – We need to foster greater collaboration with OSPE and all the learned societies. It's within our capacity to create practical, lean and contemporary regulatory frameworks. Let us prioritize the development of pragmatic practice standards that empower engineers to compete in the global marketplace.

**Please support this vision for our engineering profession by voting  
VAJ BANDAY FOR VICE PRESIDENT**

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## **ABOUT ME**

Over twenty-six years of Electrical and Computer Engineering experience in areas covering scientific research, electrical systems performance and component expertise, electrical design, test & commission and system monitoring. I have worked extensively to improve the operating performance of power delivery systems and provided resolution to technical issues. I

extensively participate in professional organizations like The Electrical Power Research Institute (EPRI) - Canada, and The National Council of Examiners for Engineering and Surveying – USA.

## **Participation on PEO Committees & Chapters**

PEO Western Region - Georgian Bay Chapter	<b>2009 – 2016</b>
PEO Chapter Leaders Conference Organizing Committee	<b>2015 – 2016</b>
PEO Information Tech. Governance Plan for Chapters	<b>2015 – 2016</b>
PEO Education Conference Organizing Committee	<b>2014 – 2018</b>
PEO Advisory Committee on Volunteers	<b>2008 – 2009</b>
PEO East Central Region - Scarborough Chapter	<b>2008 – 2009</b>
PEO West Central Region - Mississauga Chapter	<b>2007 – 2008</b>

## **Other Professional Affiliations and Community Service**

Board of Director - Engineers for Profession Inc.	<b>2019 – Present</b>
Elected Delegate - Society of United Professional	<b>2022 – 2023</b>
Treasurer - Saugeen Shores United Football Club	<b>2021 – 2022</b>
Director At Large - Saugeen Shores United Football Club	<b>2019 – 2021</b>
Member Audit Committee - Society of United Professionals	<b>2012 – 2015</b>
Equity and Diversity Committee - Bruce Power Inc.	<b>2010 – 2015</b>
Elected Delegate - Society of United Professionals	<b>2009 – 2015</b>
Assistant Coach - Saugeen Shores United Football Club	<b>2013 – 2014</b>
Executive Member - North Am. Young Generation in Nuclear	<b>2012 – 2013</b>
Membership Chair - Society of United Professionals	<b>2010 – 2013</b>
General Member - North Am. Young Generation in Nuclear	<b>2010 – 2013</b>

## **EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

Bruce Power Inc. - Tiverton, Ontario	<b>2009 – 2023</b>
GE Multilin Inc. - Markham, Ontario	<b>2007 – 2009</b>
SNC Lavalin - Toronto, Ontario	<b>2006 – 2007</b>
UltraTech Eng Labs Inc. - Oakville, Ontario	<b>2005 – 2006</b>
General Electric - Albany, New York	<b>2003 – 2005</b>
Western Michigan University - Kalamazoo, Michigan	<b>2000 – 2003</b>
State Electricity Board, Kashmir, India	<b>1993 – 1999</b>
National Institute of Technology, Kashmir, India	<b>1991 – 1993</b>

## **EDUCATION**

Master of Science in Electrical Eng. - Western Michigan Univ., USA	<b>2005</b>
Master of Science in Computer Eng. - Western Michigan Univ., USA	<b>2001</b>
Bachelor of Eng in Electronics & Communication - National Institute of Technology, India	<b>1991</b>

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