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Expression of interest

Mining and Petroleum Competence Board Chairperson

Expressions of interest are sought from suitably qualified people for consideration for appointment as independent Chairperson of the Mining and Petroleum Competence Board (Board).

About the Board

The Board is a statutory body established under the Work Health and Safety (Mines and Petroleum Sites) Act 2013. Its role is to:

- oversee the development of competence standards for persons exercising functions at a mine or petroleum site that may impact on the health and safety of any person
- undertake initial and ongoing assessments of the competence of persons exercising any such function
- advise the Minister on matters related to the competence required of persons to exercise any such function.

The Board's membership is made up of high-level stakeholders representing employers and workers within the industry and independent people who have expertise that would be of assistance to the Board.

Role of the Chairperson

The role of the Chairperson is to lead the activities of the Board. Responsibilities include:

- ensuring that the Board performs its functions, acting within any relevant statutory powers, legal obligations and complying with policies relevant to the Board (including whole of government policies)
- facilitating the conduct of meetings to allow frank and open discussion
- ensuring individual members make an effective contribution
- developing the capability of the Board and its members
- facilitating the flow of information to members and stakeholders
- liaising with the relevant Ministers, Secretaries and Chief Executives
- reviewing the performance and contribution of members.

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Selection criteria

Applicants should provide two referees and evidence of how they satisfy the following criteria:

- demonstrated capacity to lead others, summarise complex information and arguments, and formulate advice and/or make decisions in a professional and effective manner
- critical thinking, proven judgment, objectivity, impartiality, and the capacity to understand and manage conflicts of
- extensive high-level experience in negotiating with industry stakeholders on work health and safety matters in a high-risk industry
- extensive experience in leading negotiations between diverse groups
- ability to gain consensus on acceptable collaborative approaches
- ability to provide high-level advice to the Minister
- extensive experience in convening meetings at a senior level
- ability to act as a high-level advocate for Board initiatives
- ability to represent the Board at events in NSW and nationally
- ability to treat sensitive information appropriately and ethically.

It is not essential to have mining industry experience.

The Chairperson must be independent of the mining industry stakeholder organisations and registered training organisations that service it.

Remuneration and appointment term

Remuneration is paid according to the Public Service Commission's Boards and Committees Classification Framework.

The appointment is for a term of up to three years. A probity check of suitable applicants will be undertaken before appointment.

Further information

Further information about the role of the chairperson is available by contacting Tony Linnane, Director Policy and Reform, Mining Exploration and Geoscience on 0439 823 985 or tony.linnane@planning.nsw.gov.au

Further information about the Board can be accessed online at:

www.resourcesregulator.nsw.gov.au/our-role/other-functions/mining-and-petroleum-competence-board

Enquiries and expressions of interest will be treated with the strictest of confidence. Applications and resumes should be submitted to the Mining and Petroleum Competence Board secretariat via email rr.secretariat@planning.nsw.gov.au.

Applications close 22 April 2022.