

## **ABORIGINAL RELATIONS Policy**

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### **Governing Laws:**

- Royal Proclamation 1763
- British North America Act 1867
- Constitution Act, 1982, section 35

### **Society Constitution:**

- Article 3: "Mission Statement and Objectives"

### **Related Policies and Procedures:**

- None

Consistent with the Society's Constitution and the principles, commitments, values and laws governing our union, this policy has been adopted, and subsequently enacted as policy # \_\_\_\_\_ on October 25, 2010.

## **POLICY**

The Society of Energy Professionals is committed to developing and fostering mutually beneficial relationships with Aboriginal Peoples - First Nations, Métis and Inuit - based on a respect for and recognition of the distinct legal, historical and cultural status of Aboriginal Peoples in Canada and the Aboriginal and treaty rights of Aboriginal Peoples as recognized and affirmed in the Constitution Act, 1982.

Further, the Society of Energy Professionals is committed to taking a leadership role in encouraging, supporting and partnering with its members' employers in their efforts to develop and/or maintain relationships with Aboriginal Peoples based on the same respect and recognition.

## **ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

### **Accountability:**

It is the responsibility of the President to implement this policy. The President or designate, will chair an Aboriginal Relations Committee whose mandate shall be to integrate and oversee the activities associated with the implementation of this policy.

### **Reporting:**

The President or designate will report regularly to the Executive Board on activities associated with this policy. The President will report annually to Council on activities, accomplishments and challenges associated with this policy.

**Review of Policy:** Annually by the Aboriginal Relations Committee