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## NOTICE OF POSITION: UBCIC APPOINTEE TO FIRST NATIONS ENERGY AND MINING COUNCIL

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**Applications are being sought from persons interested in participating as a member of the First Nations Energy and Mining Council. The Union of BC Indian Chiefs (UBCIC) Executive will be appointing one (1) permanent member commencing October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 consistent with the process set out in the UBCIC Election Procedures.**

### Background

The First Nations Energy & Mining Council (FNEMC) is a provincial First Nations non-profit organization. The mandate of the FNEMC is to support and facilitate First Nations efforts to manage and develop energy and mineral resources in ways that protect and sustain the environment continually for future generations while enhancing the social, cultural, economic, and political well-being of First Nations in British Columbia. FNEMC's mandate was established by the BC First Nations Leadership Council – the political executives of the BC Assembly of First Nations, the First Nations Summit and the Union of BC Indian Chiefs – and the Chiefs of British Columbia.

FNEMC operates under the authority of BC First Nations to advocate and facilitate the priorities outlined in the BC First Nations Energy Action Plan and the BC First Nations Mineral Exploration and Mining Action Plan.

### Scope

Council members will focus on identifying opportunities and strengthening First Nations relationships to the development and management of energy and mineral resources.

The Council does not replace any existing discussions or negotiations respecting First Nations energy or mineral resources that any agency or ministry may currently have underway with First Nation communities and/or Indigenous organizations.

The UBCIC appointment to the FNEMC, like all UBCIC appointments to external organizations, acts as a liaison to the UBCIC Chiefs Council and is expected to provide regular updates upon request to the UBCIC Executive and Chiefs Council.

### Goals and Objectives

The work of the FNEMC is intended to support the mutual goal of First Nations fully participating in the decision-making and management processes associated with the sustainable development of energy and mineral resources in British Columbia. The Council will contribute to this goal by:

- Improving relationships with the Crown, industry, and other stakeholders based on respect, recognition, and accommodation of Treaty and Aboriginal Title and Rights;
- Enhancing the economic self-sufficiency and social well-being of First Nations by expanding opportunities for increased participation in the energy and mineral resource sectors;
- Incorporating traditional knowledge in management and development processes;
- Increasing First Nations participation in all aspects of the energy and mineral sectors;
- Increasing the sense of urgency and range of approaches associated with mitigating the impacts of climate change.

### Eligibility and Application Process

- The UBCIC Election Procedures set out in 1(a): “To be eligible to represent the U.B.C.I.C. for a committee position, a candidate must be a member of a community that is a Full Member of the U.B.C.I.C. in good standing.”
- As per the FNEMC By-Laws, FNEMC membership shall include at all times one person appointed by UBCIC. The UBCIC Chiefs Council will make an appointment consistent with the process set out in the UBCIC Election Procedures. The candidate will serve a term beginning October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020.
- A letter of interest expressing the candidate’s interest, confirming that the candidate is eligible, and articulating relevant experience, should be submitted. Letters of interest must be fewer than 500 words.
- The deadline for applicants to submit their nomination form is 4:00 p.m. on September 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Please submit letters of interest to:

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