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Regional Public Works Commissioners of Ontario Appoints 2011-2012 Leadership

December 14, 2011 (Newmarket, ON) -- At its most recent meeting in Windsor, members appointed the new leadership of Regional Public Works Commissioners of Ontario (RPWCO).

Erin Mahoney, Commissioner of Environmental Services for The Regional Municipality of York assumes the chairmanship of RPWCO, taking over from Ken Brothers, Commissioner of Public Works with the Region of Niagara. Dan Labrecque, Public Works Commissioner for Peel Region, takes over from Erin Mahoney as Chair of RPWCO's Strategy Committee. RPWCO members wish to thank Ken Brothers for the time and effort he has given to RPWCO over the last two years.

As Commissioner of Environmental Services, Erin Mahoney is responsible for managing a staff of more than 200 and a \$1.5 billion infrastructure budget. Among the areas represented in the Environmental Services portfolio are water and wastewater service delivery, solid waste management services, forestry services and capital planning and delivery.

Prior to joining York Region, Erin had a distinguished career with Earth Tech Canada, an internationally-recognized engineering services company, where she served as Vice President of National Environmental Business.

In her role as Chair of RPWCO, Erin's goals for 2012 include: enhancing municipal delivery of water and wastewater services through refinements to provincial Operator-in-Charge (OIC) and Overall Responsible Operator (ORO) policies, while increasing operational flexibility and maintaining full legislative compliance. She is committed to working to better integrate Public Works, Finance and Planning issues related to servicing the Provincial Growth Plan and striking a fair balance with industry funding organizations and taxpayers, to recover costs associated with managing municipal household special waste (MHSW) and protecting the environment.

Dan Labrecque is the Commissioner of the Public Works Department for the Region of Peel. As Commissioner, Dan provides strategic leadership to a variety of divisions responsible for managing and providing safe, secure, reliable and environmentally-responsible transportation, water, wastewater, waste management and development services.

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Dan has been a member of Peel Region's Executive Management Team since 2002 and was appointed the Commissioner of Public Works in December 2008. Previously, Dan was the Chief Financial Officer and Treasurer for both the Region of Peel and Peel Living.

As Strategy Committee Chair, Dan Labrecque's primary goal is to help facilitate the furthering of RPWCO's value, advocating a broad range of public works issues critical to servicing Ontario's citizens.

The members of the Regional Public Works Commissioners of Ontario (RPWCO) plan, design, build, operate and maintain a broad range of essential public infrastructure (Transportation, Water, Wastewater, Solid Waste, Park and Public Buildings) that serve over 80 per cent of the population of Ontario. Members of RPWCO are comprised of regional municipalities and cities with a population greater than 100,000.

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