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Department of Environment and Labour

Adjudicative Board Selection Criteria

ADJUDICATIVE BOARD		Radiation Health Advisory Committee
1	Statute	Health Act Radiation Emitting Devices Regulations
2	Purpose	The purpose of the Radiation Health Advisory Committee is to advance radiation health and safety by providing knowledgeable, informed advice and making fair decisions on appeals.
3	Functions	The function of the Committee is to: advise the Minister with respect to radiation health generally; hear and determine appeals by persons affected by decisions of Radiation Health Officers; advise the Minister on the advisability of granting applications for exemption from all or part of the Radiation Emitting Devices Regulations; advise the Minister with respect to the revocation, cancellation, amendment or modification of any of the conditions under which a registration has been issued; and to consider and advise the Minister on such other matters concerning radiation health as the Minister may refer to it.
4	Composition	The Committee shall be composed of six members: one radiologist; one medical or health physicist; one dentist or dental surgeon; one Senior Certificated Industrial Radiographer; one Medical Radiography Technician; and one physician. A Chair shall be appointed from amongst the members. The Director of Occupation Health for the Department of Health shall be a member and a Radiation Health Officer shall be the secretary to the Committee, but neither shall have a vote.
5	Formal Qualifications	The radiologist shall be on the specialist register of the Provincial Medical Board of Nova Scotia. The dentist or dental surgeon shall have the educational qualifications required by the Provincial Dental Board for license to practice dentistry or dental surgery in Nova Scotia. The Medical Radiography Technician shall be registered by the Canadian Association of Medical Radiation Technologists. The physician shall be on the specialist register of the Provincial Medical Board of Nova Scotia and work with isotopes and ionizing radiation in the diagnoses and treatment of disease.
6	Work & Experience Requirements	The physician must work with isotopes and ionizing radiation in the diagnoses and treatment of disease. It is preferable that all members have worked and have experience with radiation technology, radiation emitting devices or radiation health.

7	Skills Required	The Committee members must have a sound knowledge of health and safety concerns pertaining to radiation technology in Nova Scotia. They must also have a good knowledge of the Health Act as it relates to radiation emitting devices, and the Radiation Emitting Devices Regulations, and a strong desire for public safety. Additionally, all members of the Committee must possess decision making ability, good communication skills, a high degree of integrity, past experience in community related activities and a good reputation amongst their peers. Any individual interested in the position of Chair must have excellent leadership abilities with experience in chairing boards or large meetings and proven accomplishments in negotiation, problem solving and leading groups to bring about consensus decisions. The Chair further requires exceptional communication skills including demonstrated ability to communicate in public forums.
8	Statutory Nomination Requirements	The Director of Occupation Health for the Department of Health is an <i>ex officio</i> member of the Committee.
9	Traditional Nomination Requirements	Broad geographic representation is sought on the Committee from the various regions of the Province. Members should also contribute to the gender and racial diversity of the Committee.
10	Remuneration	Members are remunerated at the rate of \$200 per day plus any expenses necessarily incurred by them in the performance of their duties. The Chair is remunerated at the rate of \$250 per day plus any expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of the Chair's duties.
11	Anticipated Time Commitments	This is a part-time position and the workload will vary depending on the number of appeals and the complexity of the issues. The Committee may have to meet during the day or evening to accommodate appeal hearings.
12	Other Notes	Members are appointed at pleasure, meaning there is no designated term of appointment. Members generally retain their position until they retire from the Committee.