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# New appointments to the National Round Table on the Environment and the Economy

**OTTAWA, November 10, 2006** – The Honorable Rona Ambrose, Minister of the Environment, is pleased to announce the appointment of David Chernushenko, Timothy R. Haig and Dr. Mark Jaccard to the National Round Table on the Environment and the Economy (NRTEE). Their appointments have been confirmed by the Governor in Council and are effective immediately.

"With their knowledge and experience, Mr. Chernushenko, Mr. Haig and Dr. Jaccard, will be able to examine the environmental and economic implications of issues brought to the NRTEE and offer judicious advice on how to reconcile these often competing interests with a view to moving society towards a cleaner and healthier Canada," said Minister Ambrose.

The NRTEE is dedicated to exploring new opportunities to integrate environmental conservation and economic development, in order to sustain Canada's prosperity and secure its future. Its mandate has recently been enhance to provide advice to Canada's New Government with respect to the Clean Air Regulatory Agenda.

The NRTEE was created in October 1988 by then Prime Minister Mulroney and its independent role and mandate were enshrined in the *National Round Table* on the Environment and Economy Act. Its 24 members are drawn from distinguished leaders in business and labour, universities, environmental organizations, Aboriginal communities and municipalities.

Biographical notes on Mr. Chernushenko, Mr. Haig and Dr. Jaccard, are attached.

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#### **Biographical Notes**

#### David Chernushenko

Mr. Chernushenko is an expert on sustainable development, clean air, and active living. As owner of Green & Gold Inc. and an associate of Arborus Consulting, he advises organizations on achieving sustainability and energy efficiency.

Mr. Chernushenko is also the co-founder of Clean Air Champions, an active lifestyles advocacy group. He served on the International Olympic Committee's advisory Commission on Sport and the Environment, and has published three books on sustainable development: Sustainable Sport Management:-Running an Environmentally, Socially and Economically Responsible Organization; Greening Our Games-Running Sports Events and Facilities that Won't Cost the Earth; as well as Greening Campuses and their Communities.

Mr. Chernushenko holds a B.A. in Political Studies from Queen's University and a Master's in International Relations from the University of Cambridge.

### Timothy R. Haig

Mr. Haig has over 20 years in the field strategic business development and financing with an emphasis on environmental technologies and engineering. Mr. Haig is President and CEO of BIOX Corporation and Chair of the Canadian Renewable Fuels Association. Prior to founding BIOX Corporation in September 2000, Mr. Haig held several senior management positions with high profile organizations both in Canada and the UK such as Ove Arup & Partners and Tarmac, Black and Veatch. In addition, he was a principal in CMA Associates which promoted, developed and financed several major wind farms across Europe.

Mr. Haig received his MBA in London, England and his degree as an Industrial Engineer from the Royal Military College of Canada.

#### Dr. Mark Jaccard

Dr. Jaccard has been professor in the School of Resource and Environmental Management at Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, since 1986 – interrupted from 1992-1997 while he served as Chair and CEO of the British Columbia Utilities Commission. Dr. Jaccard has served on the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and the China Council for International Cooperation on Environment and Development. He has chaired several public inquiries and has advised governments throughout the world. He has over 80 academic publications. His 2002 book, *The Cost of Climate Policy*, won the Policy Research Institute award for best policy book in Canada and was shortlisted for the Donner Prize. His 2005 book, *Sustainable Fossil Fuels*, won the Donner Prize for best policy book in Canada.

Dr. Jaccard holds a PhD from the Energy Economics and Policy Institute at the University of Grenoble in France.