ALERT: Applications for Ontario's Prevention Council Now Being Accepted



One of the key components of the reform of Ontario's OHS law is a multi-stakeholder Prevention Council, whose job will be to advise the Chief Prevention Officer and the Minister of Labour. The Council will consist of 11 appointees:

- Four employer representatives;
- Four labour representatives;
- One non-union worker representative;
- One occupational health and safety expert; and
- One Workplace Safety and Insurance Board expert

On March 8, the MOL announced that it's now accepting applications for membership on the Council.

<u>The deadline</u>: March 21, 2012. So act fast if you're interested. You can apply <u>online</u> or download and mail in the <u>application</u>.

The ad is posted on the <u>Public Appointments Secretariat (PAS)</u> web site. The goal is for the Council's membership to reflect as broad a range of organizations and interests as possible, including:

- Large, medium and small organizations;
- Trade unions;
- Employer associations;

- Labour associations;
- Individuals with expertise in prevention;
- Community organizations; and
- Groups representing vulnerable and injured workers.

In addition, the members should reflect various economic sectors, including, but not limited to, industrial/utilities; agriculture; services; construction; manufacturing; broader public sector; health care and resource industries.

To be qualified, members should:

- Be knowledgeable about the prevention issues facing Ontario;
- Understand the diverse nature of prevention in workplaces;
- Be a recognized leader with a demonstrated commitment to prevention;
- Be a strategic thinker with sound judgement;
- Have integrity and credibility in the health and safety community;
- Be an effective communicator with the ability to work with others and collaborate effectively in consensual decision-making; and
- Be results oriented.