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Professional Geoscientists Ontario Introduces Incidental Practice Registration to Facilitate Short-Term Professional Practice Engagements in the Province

In February 2022, PGO announced the implementation of Incidental Practice Registration for geoscientists registered in other jurisdictions in Canada, which allows them to legally work short-term in Ontario, with a registration process designed to be quick, easy and inexpensive. This new application of temporary registration gives Professional Geoscientists the ability to register with PGO and then renew on a monthly basis, instead of having to apply for a 6- or 12-month registration.

The Incidental Practice registration is available for a maximum of 36 months within a 48-month period. Once the 36-month period of incidental practice has been used, the registrant will not be eligible for incidental practice during the five years following the most recent registration, but will be able to apply for full Practising registration with PGO.

There are five steps to the application process:

- 1. Complete a short and simple application form.
- 2. Submit the application form and application fee to applications@pgo.ca.
- 3. Request confirmation from your jurisdiction of registration.
- 4. Your application will then be reviewed and approved, and you will be sent some consent forms to sign, as well as an invoice for the monthly dues.
- 5. Once the dues have been paid, your account will be activated and you will be able to practice in Ontario.

For more information, and to access the application forms, please go to the <u>Incidental Practice in Ontario webpage</u>.

About Professional Geoscientists Ontario

Professional Geoscientists Ontario (PGO) is a self-regulatory organisation governing the practice of professional geoscience in Ontario. Its mission is to protect the public by regulating registered geoscientists and advancing professional practice.

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