de l'Ordre des géologues du Québec, approved by the Office des professions du Québec on (*enter the date of approval*), may engage in all the professional activities that geologists may perform, provided that the activities are engaged in under the supervision and responsibility of a tutor, in keeping with the regulatory standards that apply to geologists relating to ethics, professional inspection and the keeping of records and offices.

**2.** This Regulation comes into force on 1 September 2014.

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## **Draft regulation**

Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie (chapter R-6.01)

## Annual duty payable to the Green Fund —Amendment

Notice is hereby given, in accordance with sections 10 and 11 of the Regulations Act (chapter R-18.1), that the draft Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the annual duty payable to the Green Fund, appearing below, may be submitted to the government on the expiry of 45 days following this publication, for approval with or without amendment.

The draft regulation amends the Regulation respecting the annual duty payable to the Green Fund (chapter R-6.01, r. 6) to reflect the amendments made by the Act respecting mainly the implementation of certain provisions of the Budget Speech of 20 November 2012 (2013, chapter 16) to the Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie (chapter R-6.01), with respect to the method used to calculate the annual duty payable to the Green Fund.

The draft regulation excludes from the calculation of the annual duty payable to the Green Fund the quantity of  $CO_2$  emissions generated by the combustion of volumes of natural gas and fuel, other than gasoline or diesel, that a distributor states, pursuant to section 85.36 of the Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie, it distributed to, sold to or traded with an emitter required, under the Environment Quality Act (chapter Q-2), to cover its greenhouse gas emissions using emission allowances, and the quantity of  $CO_2$  emissions generated by the combustion of volumes of fuel, other than gasoline or diesel, that a distributor states, pursuant to the said section, it brought in for its consumption even though it is an emitter.

Taking into account the third and fourth paragraphs of section 85.36 of the Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie the amendments introduced by the draft regulation will

apply to the volumes reported for the fiscal years covered by the statements that, in accordance with section 85.37 of the Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie, had to be filed not later than 31 March 2012 and 31 March 2013, and by those that are to be filed not later than 31 March 2014.

Further information may be obtained by contacting M<sup>e</sup> Véronique Dubois, secretary of the Régie de l'énergie, Tour de la bourse, C. P. 001, 800, place Victoria, 2<sup>e</sup> étage, bureau 2.55, Montréal (Québec) H4Z 1A2; telephone: 514 873-2452, fax: 514 873-2070, E-mail: secretariat@regie-energie.qc.ca

Any person wishing to comment on the draft regulation may submit written comments within the 45-day period to the secretary of the Régie de l'énergie. The comments will be analyzed by the Régie and forwarded to the Minister of Natural Resources, responsible for the administration of the Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie.

MARTINE OUELLET, Minister of Natural Resources

## Regulation to amend the Regulation respecting the annual duty payable to the Green Fund

Act respecting the Régie de l'énergie (chapter R-6.01, ss. 85.36 and 114, 1st par., subpar. 9 and 4th par.)

Act respecting mainly the implementation of certain provisions of the Budget Speech of 20 November 2012 (2013, chapter 16, s. 183)

**1.** The Regulation respecting the annual duty payable to the Green Fund (chapter R-6.01, r. 6) is amended, in section 1, by inserting "(the Act)" after "(chapter R-6.01)".

**2.** Section 2 is amended by replacing everything following the word "is" by "the rate published in the *Gazette officielle du Québec* by the Régie de l'énergie pursuant to section 85.36.2 of the Act.".

**3.** Section 3 is struck out.

**4.** Section 4 is amended

(1) by inserting "Subject to the second paragraph," at the start of the first paragraph;

(2) by replacing the second paragraph by the following:

"The method of calculation provided for in the first paragraph must exclude the quantity of CO2 emissions generated by the combustion of volumes of natural gas and fuel, other than gasoline or diesel, that a distributor states, pursuant to section 85.36 of the Act, it distributed to, sold to or traded with an emitter and the quantity of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions generated by the combustion of volumes of fuel, other than gasoline or diesel, that a distributor states, pursuant to that section, it brought in for its consumption even though it is an emitter referred to in subparagraph *a* of subparagraph 2 of the sixth paragraph of that section."

(3) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"If the revision of the notice of payment referred to in the third paragraph of section 85.36 of the Act shows that a distributor has made an overpayment, the sums determined by the Régie will be repaid to the distributor.".

**5.** Section 6 is amended

(1) by replacing "the annual determination of the applicable rate" by "it has sent the notice of payment referred to in section 85.38 of the Act";

(2) by adding the following paragraph at the end:

"Notwithstanding the preceding paragraph, any variation in the volumes excluded by reason of a statement referred to in the third paragraph of section 85.36 of the Act established by the Régie after it has sent the revised notices of payment referred to in that paragraph will be subject to a notice of payment indicating the amount of the annual duty payable to the Green Fund by the distributor pursuant to section 1. The notice of payment will be sent, at the latest, with the notice of payment for the payment payable on 31 December 2014."

**6.** This Regulation comes into force on the fifteenth day following the date of its publication in the *Gazette officielle du Québec*.