



Advancing opportunities for women in Canada's resource sector

Membership Application

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Position / Title: _____ Resource/Other Sector: _____

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- Individual Membership • \$30 + \$1.80
- Student Membership • \$10 + \$0.60 GST

Signature _____ Printed Name _____ Date _____ Amount \$ _____

- Membership payable by cheque to: Women's Resource Sector Network
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Ms.....
Title
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Address
City, BC

May 21st, 2008

Dear Ms.....

We are contacting you to introduce the Women's Resource Sector Network (WRSN). This newly formed network association is

the result of the 2005, 2006 and 2007 Women of Resource Communities Conferences which were held in Parksville, 100 Mile House and Kamloops.

These conferences brought together over 250 women, who live and work in BC's resource sector, to hear from women who are leaders in industry, government and in their communities. Attendees connect with women who work in agriculture, aquaculture, fisheries, forestry, habitat management, mining, oil and gas, and other related resource sectors to exchange ideas and listen their stories. The conferences have been an opportunity as well for young women who are still in school, or who not yet decided on a particular career path, to meet other women and network with potential mentors and industry leaders.

The conferences have not only allowed us to form a base of support and a communication channel for women in this sector, it has also produced a list of recommendations which were forwarded to Premier Campbell's office and members of his Cabinet. These recommendations included several key initiatives as follows:

- 1) Increase public awareness of the importance of BC resource sector.
- 2) Encourage greater association between industry and educational institutions.
- 3) Strengthen and expand the communication network for women in this sector.
- 4) Provide leadership, mentoring and information programs for women in the resource sectors.

Along with our conference founding partner – First Dollar Alliance, sponsors have included: BC Offshore Oil and Gas Branch, Ministry of Community Services, BC Ministry of Forests and Range, Women's Enterprise Centre, Western Economic Diversification, The Mining Association of BC, Farm Credit Canada, BC Salmon Farmers Association, Pacific Salmon Foundation, Oceans Industries BC, and a number of other industry organizations and associations.

WRSN founding directors and members Leanne Brunt, Madeline Maley, Claire Thomson, Linda Hiemstra, and I are now very pleased to announce the formation of the Women's Resource Sector Network. WRSN will provide a formal organizational structure, allowing us to continue to build on the efforts of many who have made the Women of Resource Communities Conferences such a success.

As outlined in the attached WRSN association membership package, there are three avenues of support - as a