

Biography of Marie Lemay, P.Eng., ing.

In January 2008, Marie Lemay became chief executive officer (CEO) of the National Capital Commission (NCC), the first to occupy this position since the role of chair and CEO was split into two positions. In her role as the inaugural CEO, she is leading the drive to make the NCC a more dynamic and transparent organization, one that engages in collaborative partnerships to ensure that the Capital continues to develop as a true reflection of Canada and Canadians. Her commitment to environmentally sustainable practices has led to the introduction of the NCC's Environmental Strategy, with the objective of making the nation's capital an environmental leader.

Ms. Lemay is a professional engineer: she graduated from the University of Ottawa (1983), is a member of the Ordre des ingénieurs du Québec (OIQ) and Professional Engineers Ontario, and a fellow of the Canadian Academy of Engineering. Ms. Lemay held several positions at the City of Gatineau including chief of the project development division from 1986 to 1995. Following that Ms. Lemay also worked for the Municipality of Chelsea (1995 to 2000), as director general.

She has gained a national perspective during her career by living, travelling and working in Canada, notably during her seven years as CEO of Engineers Canada, a national organization that represents some 160,000 engineers and 12 provincial and territorial regulatory bodies.

Ms. Lemay has received a number of awards including the Excelor award of Engineer of the Year, the OIQ's Mérite du Conseil interprofessionnel du Québec and the 2009 Faculty of Engineering Alumni Excellence Award by the University of Ottawa.

Ms. Lemay continues to develop her strong ties with her local and national communities. She is a member of the University of Ottawa's Board of Governors, and she sits on the Board of Directors of the Regroupement des gens d'affaires de la capitale nationale and the Canadian Academy of Engineering.