2008 Mining and Sustainability Award
Nomination Package

The 2008 Mining and Sustainability Award seeks to recognize companies, organizations and individuals within or involved with the mining industry who demonstrate a commitment to sustainability principles and promote the importance of doing so through concrete, practical actions in their day-to-day operations.

Who Should Apply

Nominations for the 2008 Mining and Sustainability Award are open to companies, organizations, operations or individuals involved in the mining industry and based in British Columbia. Past nominees have included companies; a particular mine, operation, or program of a company; First Nations/Indigenous Groups; schools; community groups and prominent individuals within the industry.

Adjudication Committee

**Greg Reimer**  
Deputy Minister, Ministry of Energy, Mines and Petroleum Resources

**Teresa Ryan**  
First Nations Resource Manager, Gitlan, Tsimshian

**Dr. Malcolm Scoble**  
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**Pierre A. Gratton**  
President and CEO, Mining Association of British Columbia

**Dr. Anthony Hodge**  
President, Anthony Hodge Consultants Inc., Leader, Mining and Minerals Team, International Institute for Sustainable Development
2008 Criteria

Nominees will be assessed against the following criteria:

1. **Health and Safety**
   The applicant is acting to ensure the health and safety of workers and the community.

2. **Effective Engagement**
   The relationships with those affected by an applicant’s project or operation are characterized by integrity and trust.

3. **Respect for Indigenous Peoples**
   The applicant is respectful of Indigenous Peoples’ rights, culture and values.

4. **Environment**
   The applicant is acting to ensure the maintenance and strengthening of environmental integrity over the long term within the project or operation’s region of influence.

5. **Full Mine or Operation Life Cycle**
   The applicant is applying a full mine or operation life cycle perspective for planning and decision-making that spans exploration through post-closure.

6. **Resource-use Efficiency**
   The applicant is seeking to minimize resource inputs —energy, water, reagents, supplies, etc.—while also minimizing contaminant outputs to air, water and land.

7. **Continuous Learning and Adaptation**
   The applicant recognizes the uncertainty inherent in mining operations and is committed to continuous learning by
   - conducting ongoing research;
   - supporting programs of life-long learning for workers and community partners;
   - documenting and reporting on success achieved on sustainability concerns, including engagement, Indigenous Peoples’ concerns, health and safety, and environmental, social, and economic issues related to the project or operation; and
   - adapting in response to lessons learned over time.

8. **Benefits**
   The applicant is enhancing the potential for creating economic, social, and cultural benefits for the local community or region.

**Ethics Review**

Please note that each nominee selected as a 2008 Mining and Sustainability Award finalist undergoes a review process that determines whether or not there is evidence of unethical actions; failure to address employee, customer or community concerns; a track record of non-compliance with laws and regulations; or a track record of fines, penalties or convictions. Ethics review findings are presented to the Mining and Sustainability Award Adjudication Committee, which then uses this information as part of its selection process.

**This review does not require the participation of the nominees.**

Ethics reviews are conducted using publicly available sources of information including the following: media sources, the Better Business Bureau, labour and industrial relations boards, WorkSafe BC (the Workers’ Compensation Board of British Columbia), the Government of British Columbia, the Government of Canada, etc.
How to Complete the Nomination Process

1. Complete the Nomination Form (below).

2. Write a Mining and Sustainability Award Nomination Summary (maximum five pages) highlighting the nature of your role in the B.C. mining industry and the reason(s) you are submitting your nomination. Please keep the criteria in mind while putting together your summary, and be sure to include clear examples of demonstrated commitment to advancing and promoting sustainability in the B.C. mining industry. If you are chosen as a finalist, your nomination summary will be posted on the Mining and Sustainability Award website and used in other promotional materials.

3. Provide two letters of support (maximum two pages each) from people who have benefitted from or collaborated with you in your sustainability initiatives. Letters should be addressed to the Mining and Sustainability Award Adjudication Committee. Please feel free to provide additional supporting materials (e.g., newspaper clippings, videos, testimonials).

DEADLINE FOR NOMINATIONS IS 4:00 PM, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2008
Nomination packages are complete when ALL items (both hard copy and e-mail) have been received. Incomplete packages will not be accepted.

Contact Information

Submissions and enquiries should be sent to either:

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Please check the box which best describes the nominee:

□ Small- to medium-sized company (up to 200 employees)
□ Large corporation (more than 200 employees)
□ Community
□ First Nation/Indigenous Group
□ Non-government organization (NGO)
□ Government agency
□ Individual

Please provide the following information about the nominee:

Full Name: _______________________________________________________________
Street Address: __________________________________________________________
City: ___________________________ Province: ___________ Postal Code: _________
Phone: ( ) ______________________ Alternate Phone: ( ) ____________________
Fax: ( ) ______________________ E-mail: ________________________________
Website: ________________________________________________________________

If the nominee is not an individual, please fill in the following fields:

Contact Person (first and last name): ________________________________
Contact’s Title: ___________________________ Phone: ( ) _________________
E-mail: ________________________________________________________________