

**Name: Marc Vilorio**

**Board Director Category – Administrator.**

## **BIOGRAPHY**

Having been working in the utility sector (water, energy or electricity) for 30 years, my passion in water balances with my personal portfolio. I am currently working with the City of Abbotsford as Manager for Water Distribution where I manage the daily operations and maintenance of water distribution system that consists of 850km water pipeline, 12 reservoirs, 11 pump stations and over 2-dozen control stations for the 172,000 residents of the City of Abbotsford. In the last 2-years of my 3.5 years with the City, I was also managing the Water Treatment and Supply facility operations.

We migrated to Canada in the winter of 2011. In the beginning of Yr2012, I got my first Canadian job as Operations and Maintenance Director for a renewable energy company. My experience with the energy sector in BC gave me the opportunity to engage with different government and regulatory agencies (both provincial and continent-wide). The most that I value while in this job is being able to work and conduct businesses with different First Nations group in their territorial lands.

Prior to moving to Canada, I spent 14 years of my career in Dubai, United Arab Emirates. During my time in Dubai is where I also started my personal career in SCUBA Diving; I am a certified SCUBA Diving Instructor, a National Geographic Diver, and former president of the SCUBA Diving Club in Dubai.

After graduating from university with a degree of Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering and passing my Professional Engineer License exam, I kick started my career working with Southern Company (US-based, Energy sector) as a Commissioning Engineer.

My passion in water sector goes beyond just understanding the processes of safe drinking water. I love sharing my experience, knowledge, skills and educate people towards a sustainable and innovative future of the water industry.

## **VALUES STATEMENT**

Water connects us all.

Valuing People:

I've worked to promote equity and integrity in a sustainable and agile industry that find challenges to adapt. While people can also be slow to changes, I thrive on it. With determination and an untiring commitment to integrity,

I've worked to build bridges, to bring about changes through rational programs, education, and advancements. I leverage on people's skills and abilities of any capacity to understand their needs for development towards success.

Valuing Modernization:

In this fast-paced environment, I value modern strategies that are focused on creativity and innovation of processes and technology. As we move our life-trend towards technology, I believe that we should continuously adapt towards modernization.

**WHAT INTERESTS YOU ABOUT THIS POSITION AS DIRECTOR ON THE EOCP BOARD?**

My primary interest in the Director's position on the EOCP Board is to be given the opportunity to advocate the importance of continued education and technological advancement towards achieving certain standards of operating a safe, accessible, and sustainable water and sanitation system.

In support of my main goal, EOCP is a great platform for agile changes in streamlining educational requirements and (operating) policies that can adapt with advancement in technology and local or international (benchmarking) standards. The bottom line is, this position is where I can help make the difference towards a better Operator's program.

**WHAT ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT FUNCTIONS OF A DIRECTOR ON THE EOCP BOARD?**

In my own perspective, promoting and advocating EOCP's mission and values is the most important function of the Director. With the EOCP mission and vision as the guiding beacon, all other important functions can deliberately move along. Some of these functions may include; to support members with their professional development and continued education; to seek, establish and continue partnerships with existing and new stakeholders that can support EOCP program; to plan and execute annual and long-term strategies; to streamline and update policies, standards and member requirements; and the ability to collaborate with transparency amongst co-board directors, officers, members and other internal/external stakeholders.