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Energy, Environmental & Regulatory Law

McLennan Ross LLP

Your energy, environmental and regulatory issues require experience. Whatever your business, we can deliver the most favorable outcome possible – in a reasonable time, at a reasonable cost.

We can provide the results you want through negotiated resolutions, mediation, hearings and litigation, or other creative strategies.

Put our experience to work for you

You can rely on our strong track record. Our Energy, Environmental & Regulatory Group has earned an exceptional reputation in Alberta and the Northwest Territories for important energy- and environment-related transactions, hearings and disputes, including:

- Defence of environmental prosecutions and responding to environmental incidents
- Management of liability for contaminated sites
- Mining operations, petrochemical plants, well site and pipeline approvals
- Representing and advising municipalities on environmental issues
- Large facility, oil and gas and utilities approvals
- Surface rights and expropriation
- Rate hearings in the electric, pipeline and natural gas industries
- Waste management, including hazardous waste sites
- Water law and irrigation

- Climate change issues

Whatever the tribunal relating to resources and the environment, McLennan Ross has the experience and has actively appeared before:

- Alberta Energy & Utilities Board
- Alberta Environmental Appeals Board
- Joint Federal/Provincial Review Panels
- Land Compensation Board
- Mackenzie Valley Land and Water Board
- National Energy Board
- Natural Resources Conservation Board
- Surface Rights Board

We have also been actively involved in mediations and arbitrations, and have appeared before all levels of Alberta courts.

Occupational Health & Safety

McLennan Ross also offers a range of services to help organizations of all types and sizes avoid difficulties in the changing OHS regulatory situation:

- Due Diligence Program: Assists in designing a safety and risk management program to minimize the risk of serious workplace accidents and prosecution
- Defence Services: We defend clients charged with regulatory offences including environmental offences and occupational health and safety

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Our experience and expertise are recognized by *The Canadian Legal LEXPERT Directory*, which found McLennan Ross to be “a consistently recommended firm” in environmental law. Our Energy, Environmental & Regulatory Practice Group includes:

* **Ron Kruhlak**, Practice Group Leader – 780.482.9226 – rkruhlak@mross.com – Ron has more than 20 years’ legal experience, including significant experience in regulatory and environmental issues including applications, approvals, contaminated sites, prosecutions and appeals. Ron is recognized by *Best Lawyers in Canada*, *The Canadian Legal LEXPERT Directory* and *The International Bar Association Who's Who of Environment Lawyers* as a leading practitioner in environmental law.

+ **Peter Taschuk**, Q.C. – 780.482.9203 – ptaschuk@mross.com – Peter offers more than 30 years’ legal experience, including counsel on electricity deregulation, representation in matters relating to oil sands development, and successful mediations and out-of-court settlements for some of the largest lawsuits in Alberta.

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Our lawyers are supported by a fully-qualified and experienced staff, including paralegals, assistants and IT professionals at our offices in Edmonton, Calgary and Yellowknife.

How can we be of service to you?

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