
Background

Whites Point Quarry and Marine Terminal Project Joint Review Panel Members Biographical Notes

Robert O. Fournier (Chair)

Dr. Fournier received a Ph.D. in Biological Oceanography from the University of Rhode Island in 1967. In 1971, he joined the teaching team of Dalhousie University in Halifax where he has been specializing in Oceanography.

Dr. Fournier has substantive experience with panel reviews. He chaired the National Energy Board – *Canadian Environmental Assessment Act (CEAA)* joint review panel for the Sable Gas Project (1996-1998). He also chaired the provincial Electricity Marketplace Governance Committee (2002-2003), co-chaired and facilitated the Provincial Energy Strategy Public Meetings (2001) and chaired the Halifax Cleanup Task Force (1989-1990).

Dr. Fournier is also very well known for his media activities, contributing science commentaries to media including national and local radio, television and magazines since 1974. He is the author or co-author of more than sixty documents on topics ranging from biological oceanography to energy, electricity and the economy.

Jill Grant

Dr. Grant received a Ph.D. in Regional Planning and Resource Development from the University of Waterloo in 1991. Dr. Grant pursued teaching at the Nova Scotia College of Art and Design as a professor in Environmental Planning (1988-2001) and has been a professor at Dalhousie University's School of Planning and a member of the Graduate Faculty since 2001.

Dr. Grant is a member of the Canadian Institute of Planners and served on the editorial board of Plan Canada which she chaired from 2001 to 2004. She has also been associated with numerous professional journals such as the Journal of the American Planning Association, the Landscape and Urban Planning Journal the Journal of Industrial Ecology and the Journal of Environmental Management.

Gunter Muecke

Dr. Muecke started his teaching and research career as a field geologist for Shell Canada (1960-1963) and then became a lecturer in Mineralogy at Oxford University (1968-1970). In 1969, he received a D.Phil. in Geochemistry from Oxford University. He then pursued a teaching career at Dalhousie University, in the Department of Geology and Earth Sciences (1970-1998) and at the School of Resource and Environmental Studies (1985-1998). Since 1998, he assumed post-retirement appointments as Associate Research professor both at the School of Resource and Environmental Studies and at the Faculty of Science (Geographic Information Systems).

Dr. Muecke has a long-standing interest and involvement in the geological aspects of environmental issues. He has knowledge and direct experience of both the federal and provincial environmental assessment processes having been an appointed member of the federal-provincial review panel for the Kelly's Mountain Coastal Superquarry Project (1991).