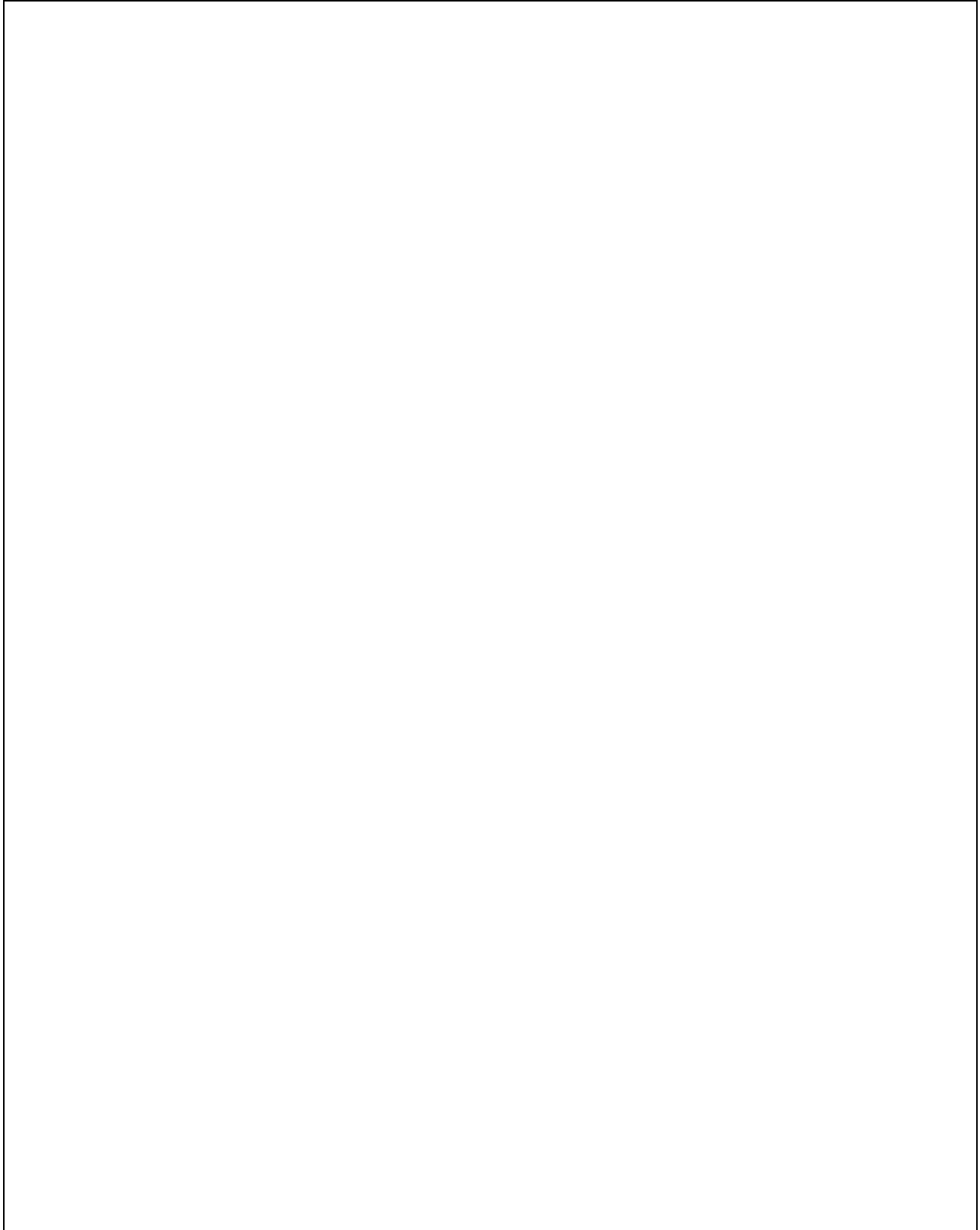


Towards Sustainable Mining (TSM) Environmental Excellence Award
Nomination Submission

Project or Program Name: _____
Company Name: _____
Facility Name: _____
Contact Person: _____
Address: _____
Telephone: _____
Email: _____

1. Provide a description of the project (objectives, audience(s), outcomes), and how the project meets one or more of the award criteria outlined in the Appendix. (The project description should be **500** words or less)

2. What makes this project innovative? (Response should be **500** words or less)

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3. Please provide an explanation of its leadership value (i.e. can this approach be applied by others?)
(Response should be **500** words or less)

4. How effective has this project been in terms of protecting or enhancing the environment? How have the benefits been measured? (Response should be **500** words or less)

5. Were communities of interest involved in the design and/or implementation of this project? If so, how? (Response should be **500** words or less)

6. When did the project begin and, if relevant, when was it completed?

Start date: _____

Completion date: _____

7. Does the nominee publicly report performance against the TSM protocols?

Yes

No

8. Has the nominee completed at least one round of TSM external verification?

Yes

No

If yes, please provide the date of the last external verification and the name of the Verification Service Provider:

Date of external verification: _____

Name of Verification Service Provider: _____

Nominated by: _____

High-resolution photos should be used to support the nomination. At least one letter of support or endorsement from a relevant community of interest must be attached. Nominations may include other attachments such as news articles on the project, consultants' reports, and videos. However, the Awards Selection Committee will base its decision primarily on the information supplied in this form, the facility's TSM performance and the community support letter.

Appendix

TSM Environmental Excellence Award Criteria

The award shall be made to a mine or metallurgical site currently participating in and publicly reporting TSM performance for an innovative achievement in environmental leadership that took place within the last three years and whose contribution meets one or more of the following criteria:

- Collaboration with communities of interest and local conservation groups to protect vulnerable ecosystems and enhance biodiversity.
- Investments in renewable technology.
- Initiatives that enhance, through research, information sharing and/or partnerships, the industry's understanding of and contribution to environmental protection, science and traditional knowledge.
- Procurement and supply chain management practices that incorporate environmental criteria.
- Innovative initiatives that contribute to environmental awareness, preservation and reclamation through education.
- Projects that exemplify the TSM Guiding Principles with associated regard for the environment.
- Innovative projects that have resulted in substantial improvements to the environment.
- Initiatives that establish a best practice that can be or has already been adopted across the industry to improve environmental performance.

General Requirements

1. A mine or metallurgical site's most recent TSM performance results will be a heavily-weighted factor in the selection process. Recipients of this award will have completed at least one cycle of TSM external verification.
2. The award may be presented from time to time as circumstances warrant, but normally, not more than one award may be made in any given year. In the event of extraordinary nominations, consideration may be given for more than one award.
3. Only one nomination per facility per award is permitted in a given year.
4. All nominations must be accompanied by:
 - A complete description of the meritorious achievement.
 - A justification of its leadership value and its potential impact on environmental and/or social practices in the mining sector.
 - At least one letter of support or endorsement from a relevant community of interest.
 - TSM performance scores provided by MAC or an appropriate provincial mining association.

5. The CIM executive director shall refer each nomination to the TSM Awards Selection Committee.
6. The Committee's selection shall be reported to CIM Council no later than the last Council meeting held prior to the annual CIM Conference & Exhibition at which the presentation is expected to be made.
7. The members of the TSM Awards Selection Committee shall not be party to the nomination of any candidate.
8. The award shall be presented by a MAC representative at the annual CIM Conference & Exhibition. In the event that the sponsor is not available the award shall be presented by the current CIM president.
9. All nominations properly presented, and not selected as award recipients for that particular year, shall be carried forward for the next two years unless formally withdrawn. If a nomination is carried forward, the most recent year of TSM performance data will be taken into consideration. Nominees will be provided an opportunity to update their submission for reconsideration the following year.

Nomination Process

Deadline for nominations is 5:00pm (EST), January 20, 2017.

Nominations should be submitted by email, fax or mail to:

Email: tshea@mining.ca (Electronic submissions are encouraged)
Fax: (613) 233-8897
Mail: Mining Association of Canada
1100-275 Slater Street
Ottawa, ON, K1P 5H9

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