

Committee: **Upper Thames River Conservation Authority**

Organization/Sector represented:

Name: **Murray M. Blackie**

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Occupation: **Environmental Scientist (semi-retired)**

Work experience: **2001-2014 - Environmental consultant, expertwitness, magazine columnist, lecturer with the University of Guelph (Ridgetown campus) Environmental program, Numerous NGO boards, committees etc. 1987 - 2001. Ontario Ministry of the Environment Agricultural Impact Specialist serving as technical/scientific lead in area of water impacts from agricultural waste, food wastes, bio-solids etc. 1974 - 1987 - Industrial Abatement Officer dealing with impacts from industry, agriculture and commerce in the London region. Please refer to my submitted C.V.**

Education: **B.A. Zoology/Psychology 1971, M.Eng. Environmental Engineering 1973, UWO, postgraduate courses in environmental toxicology, 1987/88 UWO, government in-service training and numerous workshops, symposia and conferences. Please refer to C.V.**

Skills: **My background encompasses a broad, holistic, scientific/technical base in the environmental field and extensive experience working on boards, committees, task forces etc. initiated by both government, NGO and industrial bodies including my terms with the UTRCA. Please refer to C.V.**

Interest reason: **As in the past, I am interested in continuing to participate in the ongoing work of the Authority and to be part of leading the governance of upcoming efforts to achieve ambitious future targets. Our next term promises to be exciting and challenging and I believe that I can continue to contribute to achieving these new goals and sustaining our existing programs. Please refer to C.V.**

Contributions: **As alluded to in the above section, the Authority is developing ambitious new targets expanding on existing initiatives and programs. Success in achieving related goals will be helped by more specific involvement by board members with relevant experience and background. I also believe that the continuity of my re-appointment will help to achieve Authority and city goals. If re-appointed, it is my desire to move on from my role of Vice Chair and seek the position of Chair. Please refer to C.V.**

Past contributions: **In the past, I have had the opportunity to work with many Conservation Authorities, including the UTRCA, other environmentally focused NGO's, industrial sector committees etc. in a professional liaison capacity and a membership capacity. Please refer to C.V. Please refer to C.V.**

Interpersonal: **My career has offered me many opportunities to exchange ideas, perspectives and opinions at all levels of government, private sector bodies and NGO's. Although I always strive to make a difference and influence change towards what I believe is the best outcome or decision, I believe that having as much input as possible and hearing all available perspectives is the best way to achieve the best result. Please refer to C.V.**

Interview interest: **No**